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Carrington lines up Nato support for US on arms limits

From Richard Owen, Brussels

After some last-minute diplomatic arm twisting by Lord Carrington, Secretary General of Nato, the Western alliance yesterday line up solidly behind President Reagan in advance of his summit meeting with Mr Gorbachov. It endorsed the American position on a range of arms control issues, including the controversial Star Wars scheme, the Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI).

Mr Caspar Weinberger, the US Defence Secretary, said he was delighted with the communiqué issued at the end of a two-day meeting here of Nato defence ministers, which declared that Mr Reagan would go to Geneva for the summit "with the full support and solidarity of the alliance".

The carefully worded communiqué, which largely overcame West European scepticism and doubt SDI, was the result of an intervention by Lord Carrington, who gathered the ministers together at his Brussels home for dinner on Tuesday evening to iron out remaining differences.

The Europeans accepted the American view that Star Wars is only a research project at present, that it does not contravene existing arms treaties and that it is a prudent and necessary reponse to the Soviet space weapons research programme. Mr Weinberger produced evidence to show that the Russians had been conducting such research since the 1960s.

After a series of bilateral talks, including a meeting held after the Nato sesion had formerly ended yesterday, Mr Weinberger agreed with Mr Michael Heseltine, the British Secretary for State for Defence, on a broad formula governing British participation in Star Wars technology. The agreement, in the form of a draft memorandum, will go to Mr Reagan and Mrs Thatcher for final approval, prossibly before the superpower summit.

But Mr Heseltine was given no guarantees that the contracts involved would amount to more than £1 billion, as had been hoped. He declined to say what assurances Mr Weinberger had offered that British Technology used in the project would benefit Britain rather than being exclusively for SDI.

The Nato communique expressed strong support for US positions at Geneva on intermediate, strategic and defence in space systems. The ministers took "the most serious view" of evidence from Mr Weinberger that the Russians had violated arms treaties, and demanded full Soviet compliance in future, as well as "effective verification".

Asked if proof of Soviet cheating made it difficult to place faith in any undertakings given by the Russians at the November summit, Mr Weinberger replied that the Nato statement showed that the verification issue was "enormously important".

The communique condemned the "steady build-up" of Soviet forces, including the "recently deployed" SS25 missile, which Washington says is a breach of Salt Two. During the Nato session, in which the defence ministers were meeting as Nato's Nuclear Planning Group, the Europeans agreed that the SS25 constituted a new weapon.

Mr Weinberger said this Western harmony in the run-up to the summit would strengthen the cause for freedom. The United States was able to enter the negotiationg chamber from a position of strength, he said, adding that Star Wars would not be "negotiated away" at Geneva.

Mr Weinberger said there was absolutely no chance that the Russians would succeed in decoupling America from Western Europe. "We look fairly well coupled" agreed Lord Carrington, looking at Mr Weinberger and Mr Heseltine on either side of him.

He referred to a passage in the communiqué describing consultation between the allies on Geneva arms control as "essential", and noted that President Reagan would fly to Brussels directly from Geneva to brief Nato on the summit.

The minister rejected Mr Gorbachov's offer to halt work on the Krasnoyarsk radar if modernization of Western radars was stopped. Mr Weinberger said the Krasnoyarsk facility was almost completed.

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Reagan set to offer worldwide sharing of Star Wars research

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

President Reagan said yesterday that the United States would be prepared to negotiate an agreement at next month's Geneva summit for worldwide sharing of information about strategic defences from his Star Wars research programme.

He included the Soviet Union in his proposal, and when asked whether the United States would offer information to Russia "off the shelf", he replied: "Why not?"

The President was speaking in an interview with Brian Widlake of the BBC, broadcast yesterday on *The World at One* on Radio 4.

Russia has strongly opposed American research on strategic defences (SDI), which has been seen as a major obstacle to any agreement over reductions in nuclear weapons. The United States has always spoken of the possibility of sharing research information, but the fact that the President has emphasised it again so soon before the forthcoming summit meeting with Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, will be seen as an attempt to reduce Soviet hostility to SDI.

Asked if anything could be achieved at the Geneva talks without some understanding on SDI, the President said: "Probably not, but I think there can be an understanding when they hear what we have in mind."

He acknowledged that it would be some years before strategic defence systems against inter-continental ballistic missiles could be developed, but said he would like to make it available so that the world had it for its own protection, "so that we can all eliminate our nuclear arsenals".

He referred to the research on strategic defence as "something that is probably one of the most momentous things in the century".

The question of the kind of agreement which might be reached could be discussed at his summit meeting with Mr Gorbachov.

Speaking of research on strategic defences, President Reagan said: "I would like to say to the Soviet Union, we know you have been researching for this same thing longer than we have. We wish you well. There couldn't be anything better that if both of us came up with it, but if only one of us does, then instead of using it as an offensive means of having a first strike against anyone in the world, why don't we use it to ensure that there won't be any nuclear strikes?"

He emphasized that in sharing information about strategic defences there would also have to be cuts in offensive weapons.

He acknowledged that the United States was "striving" to produce a response, ahead of

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Independent review for pit closures

The National Coal Board and the main mining unions yesterday agreed in London on an independent procedure to review pit closures.

A rotating panel of six QCs and retired judges will consider appeals. Three will be nominated by the unions and three by the coal board.

The agreement came as miners at Agecroft in Lancashire decided by 322 to 190 in favour of breaking away from the National Union of Miners.

It is the first pit outside the new Union of Democratic Mineworkers to vote on breaking away from the national union.

The vote does not formally commit the branch to join the UDM. But Mr Jimmy Lord, the colliery branch secretary, who was opposed to breaking away, said it now was obvious "we will be on our way out".

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Rail staff may face tests for alcohol

Railway staff may have to take tests, for alcohol under new powers being considered by the Government, Mr David Mitchell, junior transport minister, said yesterday.

The tests would be made if there were doubts about whether a railman signing on for duty had been drinking, or if alcohol was thought to have played a part in an accident.

A recommendation to carry out such tests has been made to the Department of Transport, by Lieutenant-Colonel Tony Townsend-Rose, the inspector who held an inquiry into the derailment of a sleeper train at Morpeth, Northumberland, on June 24 last year in which 35 people were injured.

In a commons written reply to Mr Conal Gregory, Conservative MP for York, Mr Mitcher said that the inspector's report included a number of recommendations for preventing a recurrence of this type of accident.

Mr Mitchell said some recommendations were for the British Railways Board and others were for Government consideration.

These included "introducing statutory powers to require staff involved with the safety of others on the railway to submit to a breath, blood or urine test for alcohol if there is any doubt about their sobriety when signing on duty or if it is considered that alcohol may have been a contributory factor to an accident".

Ministers are also to consider extending any new powers to staff with similar responsibilities in other transport industries who were not covered by existing laws, Mr Mitchell said.

Another recommendation to be considered was "making it an offence for any railwaymen to be so under the influence of alcohol or drugs that he jeopardises the safety of others".

Mr Heseltine, right, Lord Carrington and Mr Weinberger at Nato press conference yesterday

Dunwoody out of new Shadow Cabinet

By Julian Haviland
Political Editor

The left wing of the Parliamentary Labour Party gained one place at the expense of the centre-right in yesterday's elections to the 15-strong Shadow Cabinet.

Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, chief spokesman on transport and the only woman in the Shadow Cabinet, was the sole casualty. There was a tie for the last place, to be decided by a further ballot, between Mr Robert Hughes and Mr Frank Dobson, either of whom would be welcomed by Mr Neil Kinnock, of whom they are strong supporters.

Both Mr Hughes and Mr Dobson are in the soft left Tribune Group, whose members, in the main, are Kinnock loyalists.

They clearly benefited from Tribune's decision to run a joint slate of left candidates, in opposition to the centre-right Solidarity slate, with the harder left Campaign Group, some of whose members have been fiercely critical of Mr Kinnock.

The pact between the two left groups proved stronger than had seemed likely. The Campaign Group, in a disciplined manner, agreed to show their completed ballot papers to their secretary, and were able later to produce a table which showed that 29 of their 34 members honoured the agreement and voted for each of the 12 names on the joint list.

It was clear that the Tribune group had not been so rigorous since several of the joint candidates regarded as hostile to, the leadership received far fewer than the 84 votes the left's full strength should have delivered.

Mr Tony Benn, who fell from seventeenth to twenty-third place, polled 62 votes and Mrs Margaret Becket, 58.

Mr Gerald Kaufman, shadow Home Secretary, with Solidarity's backing, easily topped the poll as last year.

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Mrs Dunwoody, sole casualty

The 'discouraged' claimants

940,000 on dole are not seeking work

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

Nearly one million – about a third – of the unemployed claiming benefit are not looking for work, according to the Department of Employment. This is roughly balanced by a similar number looking for work but not entitled to claim benefit.

The October *Employment Gazette*, published by the Department of Employment, compares the unemployment totals provided by its regular monthly count of claimants and the annual Labour Force Survey.

The result shows that, of the 2.98 million claimant unemployed in Britain last year, 940,000 were not looking for work. The estimate is based on interviews with a sample of 57,000 householders.

Seven per cent of claimants (200,000) were in paid jobs – taking benefit because the work was part-time and poorly paid or because they had just obtained work. The department has no estimate of how many were illegally claiming benefit while working.

Most of the claimants (740,000) not bothering to look for work were described as "discouraged workers" who, after deciding no jobs were available, took no action.

Some cited sickness or disability, while for female claimants the most common reason for not looking for a paid job was having to look after the family home.

Set against the 940,000 "economically inactive" claimant unemployed are 870,000 people who, while looking for jobs, do not feature in the regular monthly unemployment count because they are not eligible for benefit.

The majority of these (620,000) were women.

The Department of Employment research does not support the view that estimates of the level of unemployment are overstated.

Tin crisis unresolved

Tin trading on the London Metal Exchange will remain suspended for today and tomorrow, the LME announced yesterday (Michael Prest writes).

Members of the International Tin Council continued their talks on how to resolve the tin crisis. The crisis erupted a week ago when the ITC said it could no longer support the world tin price, then around £8,000 a tonne. Trading was immediately suspended.

Metal traders and their bankers face losses of up to £200 million. The LME yesterday accused the ITC of defaulting on its obligations to pay for the tin it had agreed to buy.

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Howe less likely to go to Pretoria

The Government may be about to bow to Commonwealth opposition to the idea of Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, being the British nominee to join the group of eminent people who are to promote inter-racial harmony in South Africa (Rodney Cowton writes).

The nominee is expected to be announced before the end of the week, and while 10 Downing Street said Sir Geoffrey remained "a possibility", other Whitehall sources said it was now much less likely than the press had been suggesting.

The idea of Britain nominating a Cabinet minister had been vigorously opposed by Mr Shridath Ramphal, the Commonwealth Secretary-General, who said on Monday that the understandig was that the team should consist of independent persons

Russian hostages set free in Beirut

Beirut (AP) – Three Soviet Embassy staff kidnapped here a month ago were released unharmed last night. "They're all free and in relatively good condition," an embassy spokesman said.

News of the release brought a burst of gunfire from Muslim militiamen who had been covering the city for the missing men for two weeks. Beirut radio and the Muslim Voice of the Nation said the militiamen were celebrating.

The spokesman declined to give any details of the release of the three, who had been threatened with death since they were kidnapped on September 30.

The three, press attaché Oleg Spirin, commercial attaché Valery Mirikov and embassy doctor Nikolai Svershky, were seized in west Beirut, the first Eastern bloc nationals taken since Islamic extremists began kidnapping foreigners in January 1984.

A fourth kidnap victims consular attaché Arkady Kathov, aged 30, was shot dead two days later. His body was left on a rubbish dump outside the city stadium in south Beirut.

The kidnap was claimed by a hitherto unknown group, the Islamic Liberation Organization, which is believed to be made up of Sunni Muslim fundamentalists.

Telephone callers claiming to represent the group at first demanded that Moscow should press Syria, the Soviets' main Arab ally to call off an atack by leftist militiae against Sunni fundamentalists in Tripoli, north Lebanon.

The attack was called off the day after Katkov was killed, ending 19 days of fighting in which more than 500 people died.

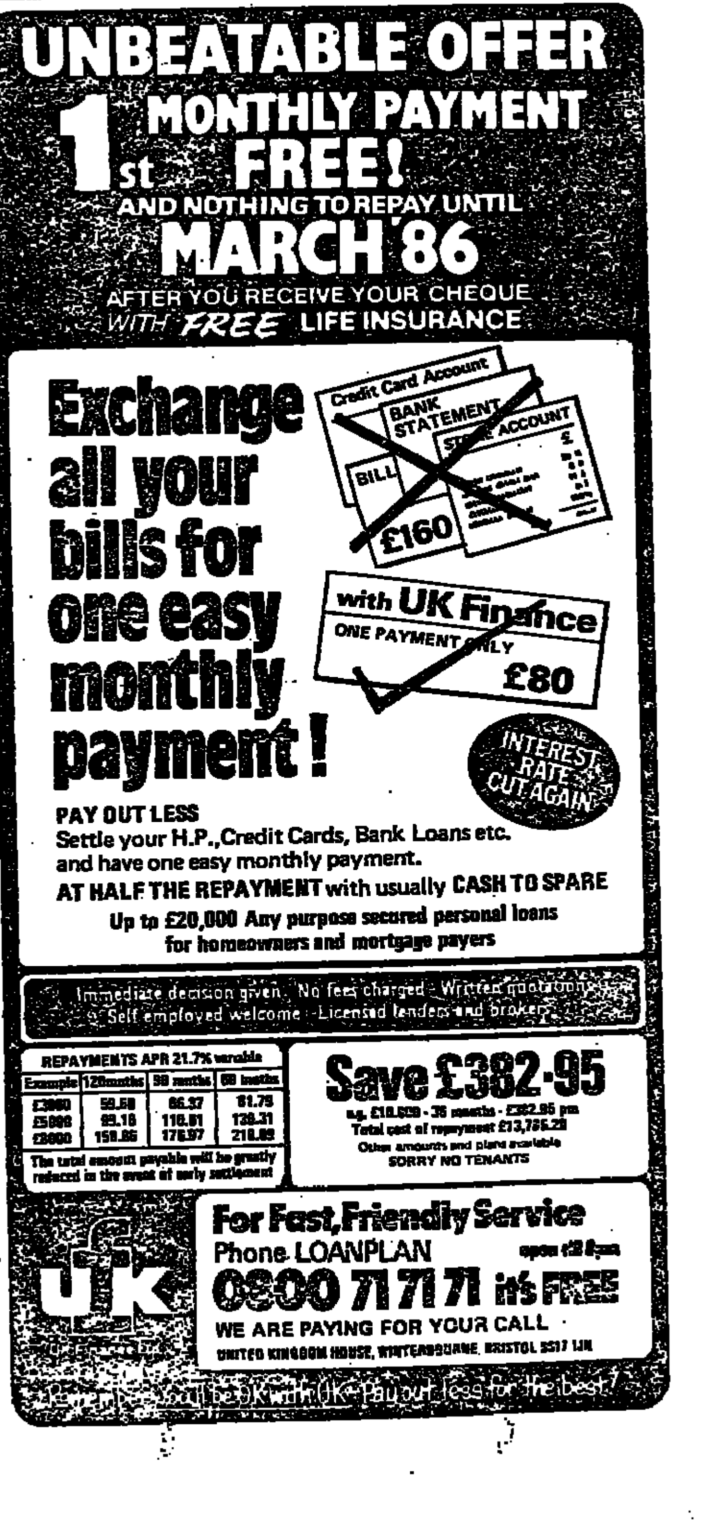
But the hostages were not freed, and new callers demanded that Moscow close its embassy and work with the United States to end Lebanon's 10 years of civil war.

The Russians evacuated about two-thirds of their 150 citizens in Beirut on October 4 amid threats to blow up the embassy. But no attack was ever launched after Moscow asked its allies in Lebanon, the Communists, the leftist Druze militia and the Shia Muslim Amal, to guard the building.

The militias, co-ordinating with Syria, also made widespread searches in Beirut and in the predominantly Sunni city of Sidon, 25 miles south, for the missing Russians.

● MOSCOW: News of the release was reported on the national evening television news programme here, minutes after a Tass report on the agency's Russian-language service.

The three released were not indentified in the Soviet reports, and there was no word on their condition.



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Solicitors win concession in Bar monopoly battle

By Frances Gibb
Legal Affairs Correspondent

Solicitors have won a significant break-through in their battle to appear in the higher courts, and break the long-standing monopoly of barristers.

The Lord Chancellor has conceded that solicitors should be granted limited advocacy rights in the High Court, enabling them to appear in formal and unopposed proceedings.

The decision will be hailed as an important victory by the solicitors' branch of the legal profession in its campaign, renewed recently, for wider rights of audience. It is also likely to provoke a furore at the Bar.

The change could be implemented swiftly if the Court of Appeal decides, in a forthcoming test case, that it has power to do so. It would mean cheaper legal costs in a variety of High Court actions, ranging through matrimonial proceedings, libel, and commercial cases.

Solicitors would be able to appear before the court in all uncontested procedural applications, and in any case where the parties have reached agreed terms.

The move is announced in a letter from the Lord Chancellor's Department, which indicates that the Government intends now to implement the proposal of the Royal Commission on Legal Services in 1979 on wide advocacy rights for solicitors in formal, unopposed High Court proceedings. It is to seek the Law Society's views on what matters would be covered and on how such a change could be achieved.

The letter comes just two weeks after a test case, now supported by the Law Society, which challenged for the first time for more than a century the Bar's High Court monopoly.

Mr Cyril Smith, the Liberal MP for Rochdale, wanted his solicitor to read a seven-line apology in settlement of a defamation case, rather than paying a barrister to do so.

He objected to paying between £75 and £150 for a barrister to read the apology, to 25 Labour and Plaid Cymru MPs, over remarks he made during the Falklands crisis, when his solicitor, Mr Alistair Brett, who is also a senior legal assistant with *The Times*, would do the job for £25.

In its report the Royal Commission said that "where proceedings are formal or unopposed, we consider that they should be dealt with by the most economical means possible, and that for this purpose a solicitor should have the appropriate rights of audience".

The Government did not respond to that report until 1983 when it accepted that solicitors should have a right of audience to deal with formal matters in any court, not just the High Court.

No action was taken, however, and only last May the Prime Minister ruled out any move to end the Bar's monopoly of advocacy rights. It was too soon to consider any changes to the present system, she said.

The solicitors' attack on the Bar's rights of audience has been fuelled by their loss of the conveyancing monopoly. In June last year, MPs unsuccessfully tried to press the Law Society's case for advocacy rights in the higher courts in family proceedings.

In spite of the insistence by Lord Chancellor's Department that it is not considering wider advocacy rights than those outlined, the Law Society is to urge the Government to implement its policy to enable solicitors to handle formal and unopposed matters in the Crown court also.

Yesterday Mr Andrew Lockley, secretary of the society's

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NUM pit votes to break away as board backs review panels

By Donald Macintyre, Labour Editor

Miners at Agecroft in Lancashire, the first pit outside the new Union of Democratic Mineworkers to vote on breaking away from the National Union of Mineworkers, have decided by 322 to 190 in favour of leaving the national union.

Their decision came as the National Coal Board and the main mining unions finally agreed in London on the form of an independent element in a new procedure for reviewing pit closures. Appeals will be considered by one of a rotating panel of six eminent QCs and retired judges, of whom three have been nominated by the unions and three by the coal board.

The vote at Agecroft, the main bastion of resistance to the year-long coal strike in the north west does not formally commit the branch to leaving the NUM and applying to join the UDM. But yesterday Mr Jimmy Lord, the colliery branch secretary personally opposed to breaking away, said it was now obvious "we will be on our way out".

Mr Walter Speakman, secretary at Parsonage colliery, which was split down the middle during much of the strike, said there was a strong possibility of a ballot at his pit, also in Lancashire, on leaving the NUM. Branch meetings at Ellistown and Bagworth in the right-wing led Leicestershire coalfield will also consider this weekend whether to demand an area-wide ballot.

Yesterday's deal between the NCB and the NUM, the National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers and the British Association of Colliery Management, brings to an end six months of tortuous negotiations arising out of the commitment to introduce a new colliery review procedure which averted the threat of a deputies' strike 12 months ago.

Although the deal is not expected to result in any slackening in the Board's pursuit of its accelerated closure programme, it will provide mining unions wth an extra means of marshalling arguments and opinion behind a closure on social or economic grounds.

● The NUM has won back the jobs of 35 of the 206 miners dismissed during the strike. After long negotiations with the board and officials of Acas, union officials are touring the communities in the Scottish coalfield reassuring the miners and their families that the remaining 171 cases of men seeking reinstatement would be fought at industrial tribunals.

● Police tactics were responsible for escalating the violence outside the Orgreave coking plant during last year's miners' strike, according to Mr John Alderson, the former Devon and Cornwall Chief Constable (the Press Association reports).

Police horses cantering into crowds of mass pickets "merely heightened the tension and increased the violence . . .

● South Wales miners have a choice of three candidates ina an election for a president to replace Mr Emlyn Williams, who is retiring (Tim Jones writes).

They are Mr Terry Thomas, seen as a "Kinnock" man, Mr Des Dutfield, the "Scargill" man, and newcomer Mr Ian Issac, a supporter of Militant Tendency.

Solicitors get tough complaint: powers

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Tough new powers fc the Law Society to tackle omplaints of shoddy wo by solicitors as well as meases to end their conveyancing monopoly are in the Admin ation of Justice Act, 1985, which received the Royal Assent yesterday.

Under the act, exp ted to come into force durg next year, the Law Society council can order a solicitor to emit or repay a part or all of his costs where he is found guilty of shoddy work.

It also can order a solicitor to take specified actin in the client's interest to ut matters right where he is eemed to have provided bad or inadequate service.

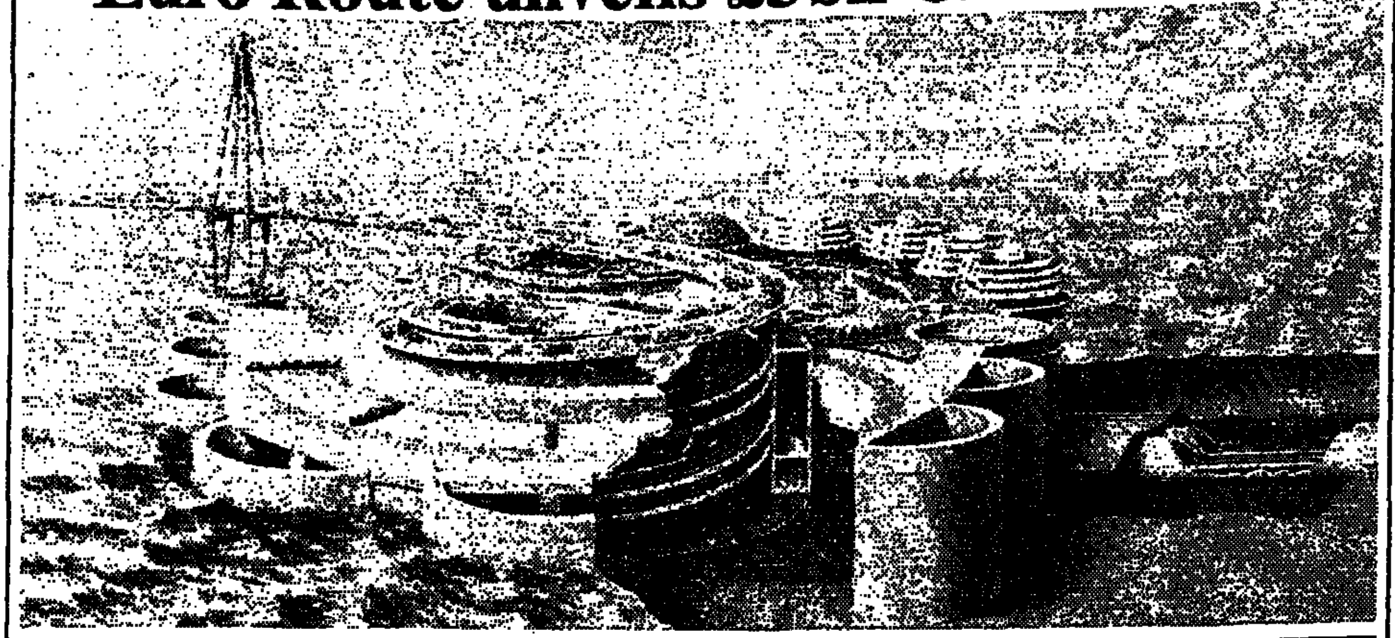
Non-solicitor licensed conveyancers, under the supervision of a new Council for Licensed Conveyancers, also will be able to operate when the Act comes into force, under stringent tests of competence.

The new council will have power and responsibility to protect consumers by enforcing rules on the conveyancers' education and training, professional practice, conduct and discipline as well as financial arrangements for indemnity insurance and compensation for those who suffer loss through any negligence, fraud or dishonesty.

The 69-section Act will enable the Registry of County Court Judgements to be privatized and handed over to a non-profit-seeking company run by users of the Registry. It also reduces from six to three years the time limits within which actions for libel and slander must be started.

The new, wider, powers for the Law Society come in the wake of widespread cricitism of the present complaints machinery

Euro Route unveils £5bn Channel link



Every industrial region in Britain and France would gain through extra jobs and economic regeneration if the £5 billion proposal for a Channel crossing using a combination of bridges and tunnels was accepted, according to its promoters.

The Euro Route consortium of 15 British and French companies yesterday launched its plan for suspension bridges running from the English and French coasts to two artificial islands joined by sunken tube tunnels for motor traffic.

Drivers could cross the Channel in 30 minutes and the tarrifs would be competitive with those of ferries.

The Government's deadline for bids to construct a fixed link between Britain and Europe closes today. Of the contenders, the Euro Route plan is the most ambitious and costly.

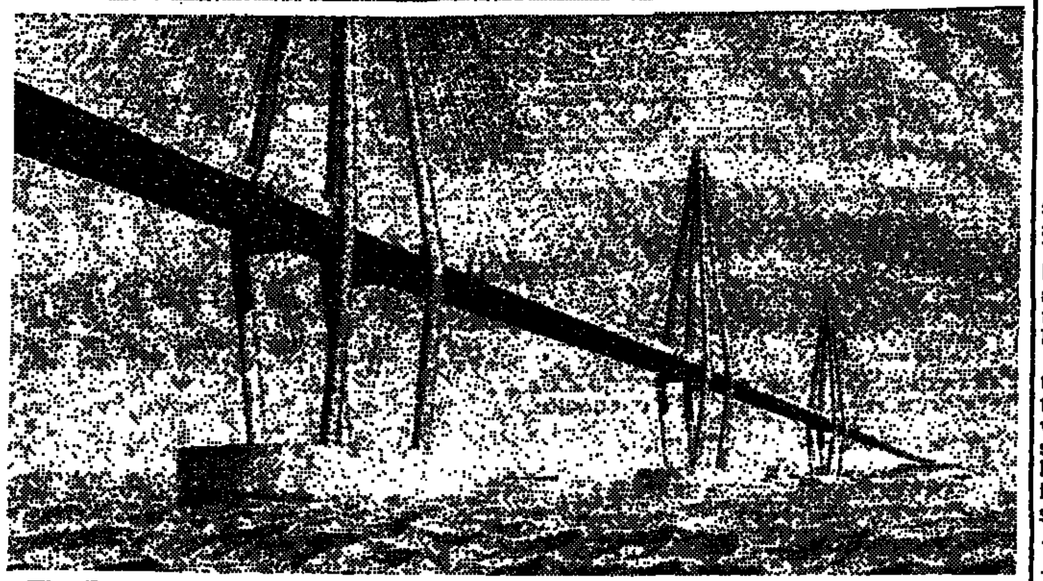
The Channel Tunnel Group detailed its proposals for a £2,300 million system of twin railway tunnels on Tuesday.

Mr Robin Biggam, chief executive of Euro Routes, said that construction of the link would create 30,000 jobs a year for five years in Britain. Many of those would be in Scotland and the North-East where the construction of the prefabricated tunnel sections would revitalize the shipbuilding and offshore yards.

The work would be divided equally between Britain and France.

Most components could be prefabricated and floated to the construction site off Dungeness, Kent, where about 600 workers would be employed; about 1,000 permanent jobs would be created when operations start in 1993.

Euro Route estimates that a further 7,000 jobs would be created in customs and excise and immigration controls and associated services.



The Euro Route solution showing tunnels, mid-Channel islands and the bridge.

Mr Biggam said a repot by the accountants Coopers and Lybrand concludes that up to 7,000 jobs could be created in distribution centres, industrial and office developments and tourism, helping to offset an job losses in Dover and Folkestone.

The first stage of the Euro Route project would be the road bridges, artificial islands and tunnels, with a capital cost of £3,500 million.

The rail link, estimated to cost £1,500 million would go underground at Cheriton, Kent.

pass through the sunken tube on the Channel floor for 26 miles and emerge at Sangatte in France.

The tunnel would carry 100mph trains and enable direct links between British and European terminals.

Ferry operators pledge to halve fares

By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

Channel ferry operators have promised a fleet of new superferries that will nearly halve Channel fares within ten years. The announcement was made last night to coincide with today's submission of the fixed link proposals.

The new ferries, with space for 700 cars, will be twice the size of the biggest at present in service and will offer a one-way fare of £30 in the peak period, 40 per cent less than the present rate, the Flexilink port and ferry consortium said last night.

Townsend Thoresen, the biggest car ferry operator across the Channel, already has tenders out to 20 shipyards for three of the big ferries each costing about £35 million. It intends making a decision shortly.

A flexilink spokesman said last night: "The fixed link proposals are based on false premises. We shall be putting in a submission that shoots holes in the fixed link case, because even the most modest fixed link will find it impossible to make a financial return on their investment at the sort of rates we shall be offering".

According to Flexilink, Channel ferry fares are on a historically downward trend with car rates down 20 per cent and passenger rates down 40 per cent in real terms during the past decade. That trend would continue in the future, flexilink predicted.

Tramp loses hold-all containing £13,000

Fortune has by-passed Mr Dick Luck, aged 79, a tramp, who lost a battered hold-all with his £13,000 life savings for the second time. He made the money working on sheep farms in New Zealand and sleeps outdoors to remind him of those days.

Last month the hold-all was found after he left it at Southend station in Essex and police officers helped him to open a bank account. But he drew out the money to buy a caravan and yesterday, destitute, he reported its loss after being in London for a few days. He cannot remember where he stayed or when he last had his hold-all.

Graffiti talks break down

Talks aimed at ending the six-week obscene graffiti dispute at Poundswick High School, Withenshaw, Manchester, broke down again last night after teachers refused to accept the latest compromise offered by Manchester City Council.

The council has stipulated that formal conciliation can take place only if the five pupils who daubed sexist and racist slogans on a school wall are sent back to Poundswick. But the five teaching unions involved say that is unacceptable.

Interest rate cuts ruled out

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Nigel Lawson, yesterday rejected calls from the Confederation of British Industry for a reduction in interest rates and a cut in employer's national insurance contributions.

He told the Sun Life Investment Seminar at the Café Royal in London that high interest rates and a firm pound will be maintained to keep up the pressure on excessive pay settlements.

More cash for London police

The Government has agreed to an £8 million increase in the Metropolitan Police's cash limit to enable the force to recruit up to agreed manpower levels.

The Home Secretary, Mr Douglas Hurd, said in a written Commons reply that the financial consequences of the recent riots in Brixton and Tottenham were being "urgently assessed so that further adjustments to the cash limit can be made as necessary".

Honour for hero

Private Michael Murphy, who forfeited his Victoria Cross for stealing horse oats and hay, was honoured yesterday by his regiment the 2nd Infantry Division, Transport Regiment, which erected a renovated headstone at his grave in Darlington, Co Durham.

Ford walkout

Production of the Fiesta at Ford's plant at Dagenham, east London, was affected yesterday after 50 workers walked out in protest at what they called "derogatory comments" by Mr Robert Lutz, the company's chairman in Europe who was quoted in newspapers as saying British workers were "slow".

£10,000 reward

Nottinghamshire police offered a £10,000 reward yesterday for information leading to the arrest of the attackers of British Transport Police Constable Neil Harvey, who is critically ill after being set upon while patrolling a railway yard in Nottingham last weekend.

Assault inquiry

Mr David Chapman, the governor of Eastwood Park youth detention centre at Falfield in Bristol, has been suspended on full pay while the police investigate allegations of assault at the home.

The Times overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 29; Belgium B frs 50; Canada $2.75; Canaries Pes 170; Cyprus 70 cents; Denmark Dkr 9.00; Finland Mkk 9.00; France Frs 8.00; Germany DM 3.60; Greece Dr 120; Holland Gl 3.50; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2300; Luxembourg Lf 45; Madeira Esc 150; Morocco Dir 9.00; Norway Kr 9.00; Pakistan Rps 18; Portugal Esc 150; Singapore $5.60; Spain Pes 170; Sweden Skr 9.00; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Tunisia Din 80.00; USA $1.75; Yugoslavia Din 350

Action on council impartiality

By Our Local Government Correspondent

Statutory rules ensuring the political impartiality of local government officers may soon be introduced by the Government to prevent alleged abuses.

Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for the Environment, last night attacked "the tragic" developments in local councils that were undermining the traditional role of professional staff.

In a speech to the *Local Government Chronicle* annual dinner, he mentioned several practices causing the government concern. Those included deliberate loading of job advertisements and manipulation of selection procedures to place politically sympathetic officers in key posts, and the selection of full-time trade union officials as councillors, even where their unions were strongly active in the council workforce.

Mr Baker, who emphasized that dubious practices were not exclusive to left-wing councils, described the increasing involvement of unelected outside interest groups in decision-making, beyond the formal committee system, as "sinister".

In extreme cases, he believed, council meetings were subject to "orchestrated disruption" and physical intimidation of councillors.

He added: "There should be a restoration of the citizen's expectation to be able to rely on the political impartiality of local government officers. If this means the establishment of clear, statutory rules applying to council personnel, and setting limits in ther active involvement, so be it."

Fire chief's case

Mr Trevor Slevin, Derbyshire's former Chief Fire Officer, is to be prosecuted after a police investigation into his expense claims. He was suspended last March after an internal audit and dismissed last month for separate disciplinary offences.

Kinnock 'own goal' gibe angers Hatton

By Colin Hughes, Local Government Correspondent

Mr Neil Kinnock yesterday accused Mr Derek Hatton, the deputy leader of Liverpool City Council, who supports Militant Tendency, of being "one of the greatest own-goal scorers of all time".

The intensification of Labour's internal differences over Liverpool spilled over into a further bitter personal exchange between the national and local leadership, which some Labour MPs fear will revive left-right antagonism within the party.

Mr Hatton said the Labour leader was "playing into the Tory Government's hands" by renewing his assault on Liverpool's leadership, and accused Mr Kinnock of "attacking the working people of Liverpool".

Rejecting the charge as "nonsense", Mr Kinnock replied: "I'm trying to score goals for the people of Liverpool. Derek Hatton is one of the greatest own-goal scorers of all time".

Liverpool's Labour leaders yesterday called a press conference in the city to say they had agreed not to comment on a report commissioned by 10 trade union general secretaries, which proposes a range of options for saving the council from insolvency, until they had had a chance to discuss it fully.

Mr Kinnock, however, commented immediately on the report's publication, telling Liverpool that their duty demanded that the recommendations should be put into effect, since the practical means of avoiding crisis now plainly existed. "Playing politics with people's jobs must stop, and political dogma must give way to realism", Mr Kinnock said.

● Tudor House a special school for handicapped children in Liverpool was forced to close yesterday because its £53,000 cash grant from the city council has been stopped. The school is run by the Spina Bifida Association.

Shadow Cabinet votes

The votes cast in the Shadow Cabinet election were: Elected: Gerald Kaufman, 122; Stan Orme, 115; Denis Healey 112; John Prescott 112; Robin Cook, 106; Peter Shore, 100; John Smith, 99; Giles Radice, 98; John Cunningham, 95; Peter Archer, 94; Barry Jones, 94; Michael Meacher, 93; Denzil Davies, 90; Donald Dewar, 88. Frank Dobson and Robert Hughes tied for fifteenth place at 87 votes and be subject to further ballot. Not elected: Margaret Beckett, 58; Tony Benn, 62; Dennis Canavan, 34; David Clark, 80; Tam Dalyell, 70; Terry Davis, 52; Gwyneth Dunwoody, 70; George Foulkes, 44; Bryan Gould 53; Stuart Holland, 56; Brynmor John, 76; Donagh McDonald, 19; John Morris, 55; Bob Parry, 17; Jo Richardson, 71; George Robertson, 60; Jeff Rooker, 45; Brian Sedgemore, 34; Clare Short, 25; Clive Soley, 21; Gavin Strange, 70; Jack Straw, 53.

Hurd tells of anti-terror strategy

A 10-point plan against terrorism being drawn up by Britain and friendly countries was outlined by Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, last night.

It includes joint action to ensure that diplomatic immunities are not abused by states which support or condone terrorism. Britain wants action to be taken against such states.

It also wants an intensification of intelligence exchange to include information about diplomats connected with terrorism so that they and terrorists can be expelled or excluded from friendly countries.

Another part of the plan is to secure agreement that no concessions should be made to terrorists demands.

Mr Hurd, who was speaking to the Police Management Association at Hendon, said the Government had recently reviewed the international initiatives in which it was involved.

Social Fund critics 'too quick to damn'

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

The Government yesterday won much-needed support for its controversial proposal to replace the 1.5 million one-off payments made annually to people on supplementary benefit with a discretionary Social Fund, which would offer loans as well as grants for special needs.

The Social Security Advisory Committee, the Government's standing advisers on social security, said that critics "have been too quick to damn a genuine effort to overcome an intractable problem".

But it said that considerable changes would be needed to the proposals if the fund was to work: and its success would depend crucially on the regular weekly payments to those on supplementary benefit being high enough.

In its response to other parts of the Government's Green Paper, the committee said that the plan to abolish Serps, the State Earnings-Related Pension Scheme, should be dropped. The Government should put off modifying the scheme until a consensus was reached on how it should be changed.

Plans to make everyone, including those on supplementary benefit, pay at least 20 per cent of their rates should be abandoned.

The committee had "grave doubts" about paying the new Family Credit with wages, and was "unhappy" at proposals to replace free school milk, vitamins and free school meals with a cash payment in the credit.

On the social fund, the committee said the proposal to make the payments entirely discretionary, instead of a legal right as at present, went too far.

Clear guidelines on what was available would have to be published and some clear entitlements set up, for example help with furniture, house repairs, fuel disconnection and reconnection charges, costs caused by sickness or visits to a child in care, and home insulation

4th report of the Social Security Advisory Committee 1985 (Stationery Office, £6.95).

WRP flats 'used for debauchery'

By Barrie Clement

The founding father of the far left in Britain, Mr Gerry Healy, aged 73, was accused yesterday of cruel and systematic debauchery and sexual violence against 26 women members of the Trotskyist Workers' Revolutionary Party (WRP).

Mr Healy, a former member of the Labour and Communist parties, was alleged to have used his position as founder and former general secretary of the WRP "to degrade women and girl comrades and destroy their self respect" during a period of more than 20 years.

The basis of the allegations, strongly denied by Mr Healy's followers and first disclosed in *The Times* yesterday, is a letter to the WRP's political committee from Ms Aileen Jennings, a former secretary of Mr Healy and his "close personal companion" for 19 years.

In the letter, published on the front page of yesterday's *Newsline*, a paper controlled by opponents of Mr Healy, Ms Jennings claimed that WRP flats had been used in a "completely opportunist way for sexual liaisons" with women employed by the newspaper, by the international committee, and "others".

Ms Jennings wrote that she had covered up the "problem" which could have led to security leaks to the police.

Mr Healy's supporters on the party central committee, who include Ms Vanessa Redgrave, the actress, have vigorously denied the accusations on behalf of Mr Healy, who is said to be on holiday somewhere in Britain.

Dalyell gives new alleged Belgrano paper to Speaker

By Philip Webster
Political Reporter

Mr Tam Dalyell has placed in the hands of the Speaker of the Commons an alleged Ministry of Defence document which he says provides new and conclusive evidence that the Government deliberately deceived Parliament over the sinking of the General Belgrano during the Falklands conflict.

The document, which the Labour MP for Linlithgow received earlier this month and part of a copy of which he released last night, is alleged to be the first draft of the statement Sir John Nott, then Secretary of State for Defence, made to the Commons on May 4, 1982, about the sinking of the Argentine cruiser.

In a speech in London last night, Mr Dalyell strongly hinted that the document had come into his hands as a result of the renewed publicity about the affair between Mr Cecil Parkinson, the former Cabinet minister and a member of the War Cabinet during the conflict, and Miss Sara Keays, although he made clear that it was not Miss Keays who had given it to him.

The Commons was told by Sir John on May 4, 1982, that the Belgrano had been "detected" two days earlier at 8 pm London time. The alleged original draft which Mr Dalyell has submitted to the Speaker, Mr Bernard Weatherill, said that the Belgano had been "attacked" at that time.

Statements by the Government have since shown that the original draft was accurate in that respect and the Belgrano was attacked at that time.

But a majority of the Commons Select Committee on Foreign Affairs, which reported on its investigation of the sinking in July this year, concluded that the admitted inaccuracies in the statement by Sir John were neither deliberate nor misleading about the true state of affairs over that weekend.

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Britain rejects claim by Greek Government for return of Elgin Marbles

By David Hewson, Arts Correspondent

Britain formally rejected the Greek Government's claim for the return of the Elgin Marbles yesterday, bringing a step closer the possibility of legal action by Athens for the reclaim of the Parthenon artefacts.

The Foreign Office said that it had replied to a Unesco request to answer the Greek claim. No details of the reply were released but it is understood to reject all Greek rights to the marbles.

The Greek Government released its letter to Unesco, however, in which it argues that the permission for the stone's removal by the Ottoman Empire, which occupied Greece when Lord Elgin arrived in Athens in 1800, does not make legitimate the continuing possession of the marbles by the British Museum.

It did not allow for the "misappropriation by the occupier of its cultural heritage and consequently the permission granted to Lord Elgin by the Ottoman authorities cannot constitute a valid legal title to the antiquities he took from the Acropolis", the letter said.

The Greek submission argues that the principle has been repeatedly applied in international practice.

"After the defeat of Napoleon in 1815, and as part of the post-war settlement, the works of art that the French had seized from various European capitals were returned, notably the four horses of St Mark which went back to Venice", it says.

The marbles, the letter continues, belong to the most sacred monument of Greece, the temple of Athens, which expresses the quintessence of the Greek spirit and embodies the ultimate groundwork of Athenian democracy, according to Professor Manolis Andronikos, a leading archaeologist.

The Greek Ministry of Culture says that it will continue to press negotiations through Unesco but reserves its right to take "all appropriate legal steps".

It seems unlikely that there are any avenues of discussions to be pursued by Unesco. Bilateral talks have already failed and the organization will not come to a ruling over the arguments put forward in the two letters from Britain and Greece.

The British Museum said: "Our position is not a political one. At the moment we are governed by two Acts of Parliament in which the British Government, having bought the marbles from Lord Elgin, gave these to the British Museum to be kept in perpetuity. It is the work of the trustees to keep these in perpetuity unless there is a change in the legislation."

The museum pointed out that a move to amend the relevant Acts to allow trustees to return property when it thought it appropriate was defeated in Parliament in 1983.

But Mr Neil Kinnock, leader of the Labour Party, has promised to look at the question of the marbles if Labour comes to power.

That has prompted the museum to look at the fate of the rest of its collections. "We are an international museum and once one starts dismembering an international collection you are on a very slippery slope", it said.

Spoils of war are sent back

A ceremonial Ashanti stool more than a century old, taken away by the British as part of the spoils of victory in 1874, has been returned to the Ashanti tribe after negotiations between Britain and Ghana.

The stool and other traditional regalia were looted by a British punitive force that sacked the Ashanti capital of Kumasi in 1874 in the "Sagranti" war that was part of a British campaign to crush an early independence movement.

The stool was taken as booty and sent back to England by a Captain Jackson, of the British punitive force, and was given up by the Jackson family this year.

The stool was flown back to Ghana free of charge by Ghana Airways and presented to the leader of an Ashanti delegation. The Ashanti tribe is concentrated in south-central Ghana.

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Suricates by David Curl, of Canterbury, a runner-up in the Wildlife Photographer of the Year Competition, attracting entries from 37 countries. Winning photographs are on display at the Natural History Museum until January. Suricates are South African viverrine burrowing carnivores, commonly known as Meerkats.

Network bids for TV satellite franchise

By a Staff Reporter

A three-channel television service broadcasting from Britain to the rest of Europe by satellite could be on the air within the next few years, according to backers yesterday.

The network, provisionally named National Broadcasting Service (NBS), is to apply for a franchise from the Independent Broadcasting Authority which is trying to revive interest in satellite television after the failure of a joint BBC-ITV venture.

NBS is headed by Mr James Lee, former chief executive of the film and television company Goldcrest, and proposes to run a news, current affairs, documentary features and information channel, and a service for young people. A third channel, aimed at women's interests, would probably be launched during the company's fourth year.

The IBA's deadline for letters of interest in satellite television closes today, and the authority will admit only to "expressions of interest" from several parties. NBS is the first to make its plans public. The Home Office will decide later this year whether to offer firm satellite broadcasting franchises.

Me Lee said that NBS was being supported by important figures in British broadcasting. "We are confident that NBS will be able to attract some of the brightest and best talent in the country, particularly the sort of younger people who may feel stifled within the bureaucracies of BBC and ITV," he said.

The group believes that initially it will require a maximum of £450 million to finance the venture. The first two channels would be supported by advertising and the third would rely on advertising or subscriptions.

NBS would be available throughout Europe on cable television and to anyone buying a dish aerial and receiving equipment costing £99.99. However, the first receivers would be priced at no more than £50 after a free trial period of six months.

NBS is considering three options for financing the project: a consortium arrangement with the suppliers of the space system and the home electronics, institutional finance, or an industrial sponsor combined with institutional finance.

It would require £180 million for programming, £170 million for the satellite system, and £100 million for subsidising the marketing of reception equipment.

Much of the output would come from independent producers.

● Advice on cooking, sex, fashion, fitness and health is contained in a television service specifically for women, which was launched yesterday (Bill Johnstone writes).

The advice is on a new channel which will be beamed by satellite to cable television networks throughout the United Kingdom and will broadcast initially from 9.30pm to 1.30pm, seven days a week.

The channel is funded by W H Smith, Yorkshire Television, Television South and the publisher D C Thomson, of Dundee. The channel, called Lifestyle, is also aimed at other audiences in Europe, beginning with Sweden and Finland.

Napley to take over defence in 'Bambi' case

By Michael Horsnell

Jeremy Bamber, the farmer charged with the "Bambi" murders of five members of his family, won a legal battle yesterday to secure the services of the leading lawyer, Sir David Napley, as his legal aid solicitor.

Magistrates at Maldon, Essex, where Mr Bamber appeared on remand, granted his application to alter his legal aid certificate allowing Sir David, a former president of the Law Society, to take over his defence.

Last week, Mr George Ginn, chairman of the bench, adjourned the application after a heated exchange with an aide of Sir David over a defendant's right to choose his solicitor on legal aid and the cost to the public purse of engaging the services of a top lawyer.

But it is understood that Sir David will waive his normal fees of about £135 an hour to comply with the maximum legal aid rate of £30 an hour.

Mr Bruce Bowler, his solicitor until yesterday, withdrew from the case in which Mr Bamber, aged 24, from Goldhanger, Essex, is charged with murdering his adopted sister, the former model Mrs Sheila Cafell, who was known as Bambi, her twin sons aged six, and Bamber's adoptive parents.

All five were found dead at the family's home, White House Farm, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Essex, on August 7. Mr Bamber was remanded in custody for a further seven days. Reporting restrictions were not lifted.

Post Office may extend second class price cut

The Post Office expects to extend its price reductions on second class mail well past the present spring deadline.

Sir Ron Dearing, the Post Office chairman, said yesterday that he would be extremely disappointed if he could not extend the cheap period.

The price reduction – a gamble which will cost the corportion about £1 million a week during the offer period – is an attempt to encourage more people to send letters.

The corporation will launch a nationwide advertising campaign this week drawing the public's attention to the price reduction – 1p off the 13p second class stamp – which will begin next Monday and continue until the end of March.

The Post Office says it has been encouraged by customers posting more than 200 million letters between last April and July. The corporation wants to raise that figure well above 500 million.

The reduction also is expected to create a boom in Chrismas mail.

£32 holidays sold in under an hour

By Tony Samstag and Derek Harris

An unprecedented offer of 500 one-week holidays in Spain for £32 was sold out in the first hour of business yesterday.

Intasun Travel, which marketed the self-catering packages through its Lancaster Holidays subsidiary, said that it has sold more than 10,000 bookings altogether, many of them during the first hectic hour, as a result of the offer.

The fiercest escalation yet in a price war that has been deplored by many in the industry came to light on Tuesday at the annual conference of the Association of British Travel Agents in Sorrento.

Intasun's offer was capped almost immediately by Thomson Holiday's announcement that 500 one-week holidays would be available from Monday at a cost of £25 on stand-by basis.

Yesterday, Horizon, which claims to be the third largest tour operator after Thomson and the International Leisure Group, owner of Intasun, said that it would not be matching its competitors' limited offers. It was joined in its stand by Cosmos Holidays and British Airways Holidays. Mr Terry Grew, managing director of BAH said: "We are not about cheap gimmicks".

Mr David Cockerton, managing director of Horizon, said: "It would seem that the two largest operators are allowing the overseas holiday market to become a farce to satisfy their quest for power."

Both Thomson and Intasun have admitted that the giveaway prices are gimmicks.

Faced with the threat of increased fuel charges that cannot be passed on to customers because of no-surcharge guarantees, the industry has felt itself under pressure to keep selling at all costs. Mr Don Swinard, chairman of ABTA's travel agents' council, has described the conflict between Britain's biggest tour operators, as "mad warring generals fighting over the bodies of their friends".

Mr Clive Atkinson, retail director of Thomas Cook, said yesterday that he felt "ambivalent" about the holiday buying panic. "On the one hand, I'm delighted at so much interest: on the other, I feel sorry that so many people have to be disappointed. It's a real lottery".

● With the industry already facing wafer-thin profit margins because of the price war, a new threat emerged yesterday in the share of increased aircraft navigation charges. Holiday airlines have been warnd to expect extra payments on European air traffic control services.

Facelift for marina at Brighton

A £50 million redevelopment of Brighton Marina to create a village with 800 homes, a supermarket, hotel and leisure complex is to go ahead.

The scheme was devised by Mr George Walker, the former boxer and manager of his heavyweight brother, Billy. His company, Brent Walker, whose shares are listed on the Stock Exchange, has agreed to take over the Marina from a consortium of City institutions for £13 million.

Mr Walker said yesterday that all the planning consents had been obtained for the development, which will transform the Marina from docks for small boats to a multi purpose leisure complex.

The money raised by brent Walker by selling the supermarket and residential sites will pay for indoor facilities for tennis, bowling and squash, a water theme park and swimming pool and health hydro.

"The whole project will take five years to complete, although I expect the supermarket will be open within 18 months to two years", Mr Walker said.

The Brighton Marina has been owned by City institutions which include the Electricity Supply Nominees, one of the country's biggest pension funds, but ambitious plans for development have been held back because of financial difficulties.

7-day shops 'no threat to Sundays'

The traditional English Sunday should not be threatened by the introduction of Sunday trading, judging by the case in Scotland.

A MORI poll into the effect of Sunday trading has found that the Scots, who have allowed seven-day trading for the past 40 years, enjoy their Sundays more than the English and the Welsh.

The Scots spend more time relaxing and visiting friends on Sunday and those going to church regularly exceed the number for England and Wales by 50 per cent.

The number of shops open in Scotland on Sunday is only one in six and 6 per cent of Scots do their grocery shopping on Sunday, the same percentage as in England and Wales.

The survey, based on 2,340 interviews in England, Scotland and Wales, was commissioned by the Federation of Multiple Do-It-Yourself retailers, which has been lobbying for three years for the reform of the Shops Act, 1950, restricting Sunday trading.

A further MORI poll on the degree of support among MPs for the abolition of the Shops Act concluded that 80 per cent of Conservative MPs and 59 per cent of Opposition MPs are in favour of early legislation to repeal the Act.

A Bill to remove Sunday trading restrictions is expected to be announced in the Queen's Speech.

'Baby in drawer' tears from a jury

A judge yesterday told jurors who cried when they saw photographs of Charlene Salt aged three months, that they must put emotion to one side

Mr Justice Russell was summing-up on the eighth day of the trial at Manchester Crown court of David Salt and his wife Gail.

The judge told the jury of seven women and five men: "Today you were shown some photographs of little Charlene Salt. I could not help but notice that some of your number, not all ladies, vere visibly distressed by these photographs.

"You have now to decide to put all emotive feelings to one side and judge this case dispassionately," he said.

Mr Salt, aged 26, of Tearly Bank, Sholver, Oldham, Greater Manchester, denies the manslaughter of Charlene and ill-treating her.

His wife Gail, aged 20, described as educationally sub normal, denies neglecting Charlene, who died on November 29, 1984, from a brain haemorrhage.

Earlier, the jury was told how the baby slept in a drawer in the family's squalid home where animals, including a pet rat, roamed freely. When she cried, the drawer was closed for the night, it was alleged.

Mr Rhys Davies, QC, for Mr Salt said his case was "buried" by his wife.

Mr John Rowe, QC, for Mrs Salt, said she was a "mental and physical captive" of her dominating husband.

The trial continues today.

Husband lost control at wife's taunts

An impotent husband charged with murder told a court yesterday that his wife taunted him about his problem and accused him of being homosexual minutes before he strangled her.

Albert Bowie, aged 44, a self-employed haulier, said that he lost control after the gibes from his wife Philomena, aged 56. He denies murdering her at their home in Nugent Close, Aston, Birmingham, last March.

Miss Diane Cotton, QC, for the prosecution, has alleged at Birmingham Crown Court that Mr Bowie killed his wife because he was infatuated with Miss Linda Graham, aged 17, of Bromfield Close, Aston.

Mr Bowie denied to Mr Martin Wilson, QC, in the defence, that he was homosexual.

He said that he strangled his wife with electric flex he was using to repair an iron. "The taunting remarks were coming over and the next thing I knew the cord was around her neck", he added.

Mr Bowie said that he had not planned to kill his wife but asked Miss Graham to move into his home while the body was still hidden.

The case continues today.

Paper renews TV promise

A continued injunction granted to the BBC and independent television in the High Court yesterday has forced *The London Standard* to renew its undertaking not to publish a detailed Sunday television guide in Friday issues.

In agreeing to renew the undertaking just given last week, the newspaper claimed it had never intended to publish a detailed Sunday guide. But it will be defending the right to do so at a full trial of the action being brought by the television companies.

M6 crash victims burnt beyond recognition

The 13 victims of Britain's worst motorway disaster were so badly burnt that they could not be identified by relatives. Instead, a police team collected personal items and matching medical and dental records, an inquest at Preston were told.

But the coroner, Mr Howard McCann, said the four youngest victims of the M6 crash were dead or unconscious before they suffered horrific burns.

Medical evidence shows that the children, aged between three and seven, and all from the north-east, suffered severe head injuries as the cars they were travelling in with their parents were crushed.

Mr McCann said: "If there seems to be any mercy in this case, it is that the children may not have known much about what was happening to them."

Seven adults died from burns and six others, including the children, died from head injuries.

The driver of the coach, Mr John Bonyman, from Edinburgh, is still too ill in hospital to be seen by the police.

An interim report on the disaster has been sent to the Department of Transport and the Home Office. The inquest was adjourned until a provisional date next February.

Fence goes

Chelsea Football Club is taking down its "electric fence" at Stamford Bridge because of the crowd's good behaviour.

Murder of policeman

Mystery of killer and motive

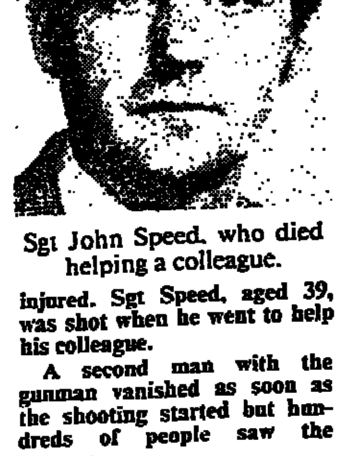
By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

A year ago today Police Sergeant John Speed was shot dead in the centre of Leeds, but in spite of the efforts of 80 detectives the reason for the shooting and identity of his killer remain a mystery.

Few, if any, recent murders of a policeman in mainland Britain have remained unsolved. In the past year West Yorkshire police have learned much about the underworld but not their quarry.

Underworld sources have suggested that Sgt Speed died after a drug deal was interrupted, but the team led by Det Chief Supt John Convoy has also concentrated on suspected armed robbers, burglars and car thieves in the hunt for the killer.

The man struck in a car park in Kirkgate, shortly after 8.40am when Police Constable John Thorpe challenged him after reports that he had been seen trying to break into a car. The constable was shot and injured. Sgt Speed, aged 39, was shot when he went to help his colleague.



Sgt John Speed, who died helping a colleague.

A second man with the gunman vanished as soon as the shooting started but hundreds of people saw the gunman.

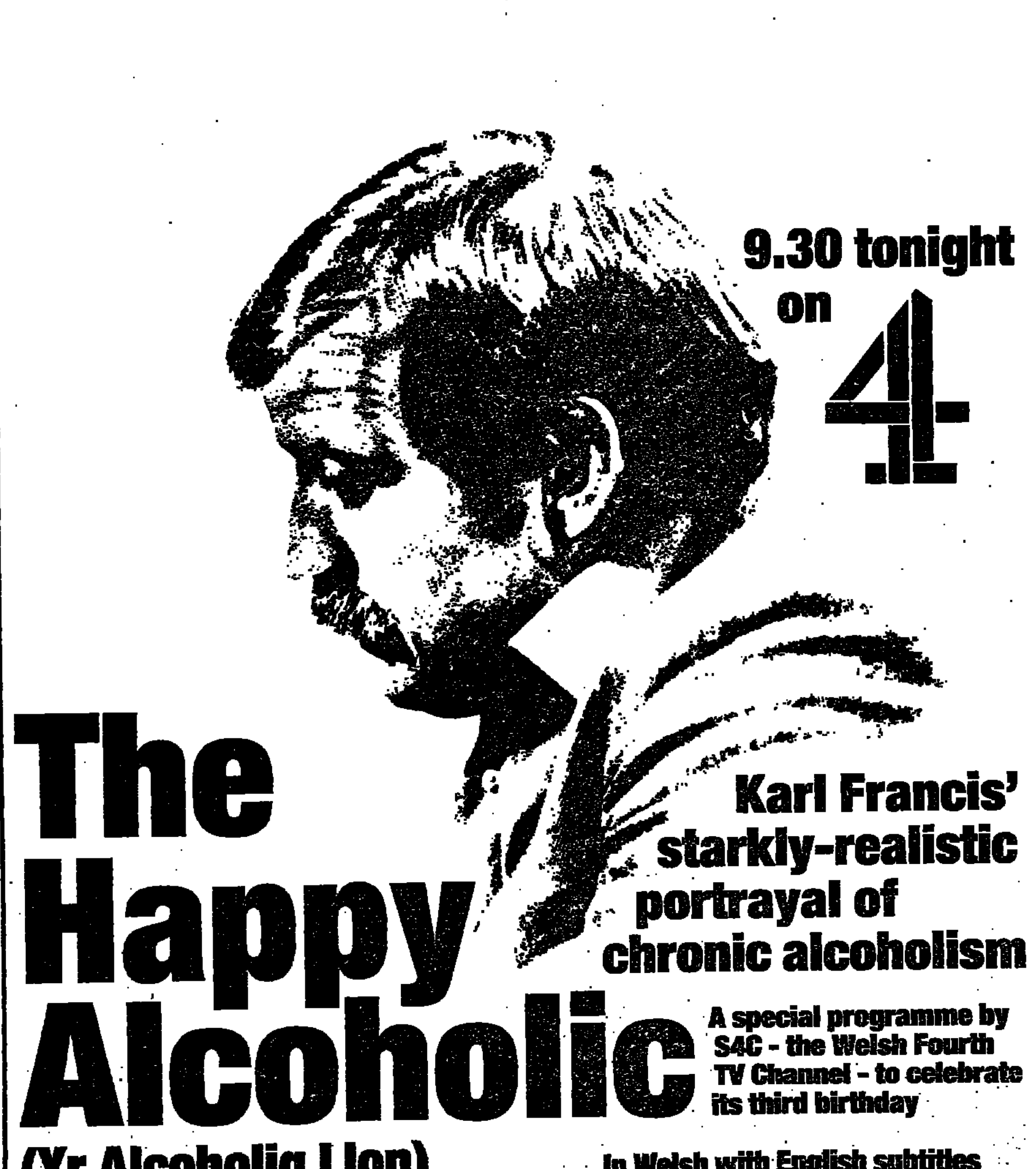
At one point in the chase he hijacked a van and vanished. He was flushed out during a street-by-street search, and then got away again. At times police were less than a minute behind him.

A police incident room was opened at Millgarth police station as the chase was under way. It has processed more than 30,000 interviews, details of 7,000 vehicles and the elimination of 11,800 suspects.

There is little doubt that the local underworld would be happy to see the gunman caught as police pressure has resulted in many arrests

Detectives from Leeds have visited many cities in Britain and travelled to the Irish Republic, the Netherlands, Spain and United States.

Mr Convoy accepts that the gunman had the benefit of luck in snatching the van during his getaway. But it is felt that if the man was local the police pressure and a £25,000 reward should have yielded results.



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Pope will meet Runcie for private talks in Bombay

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

Pope John Paul II and the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, are to meet in India early next year, the first time since the Pope was Dr Runcie's guest at a service in Canterbury in 1982.

The archbishop will be at the start of an official visit to India, and the Pope will be at the end of his. Lambeth Palace admits to a "slight juggling with dates" to bring them both to Bombay on the same date, February 9.

They will talk privately, and no joint public service is envisaged.

The indications are that their main topic will be the progress of Church unity discussions, in which context the Pope may well restate the Roman Catholic Church's opposition to the ordination of women and the negative effect such a move in the Church of England would have in those discussions. Dr Runcie supports ordination of women.

The visit of the Pope to India could be one of the most turbulent of his reign, with hard-line Hindu movements already trying to organize opposition. Nevertheless, crowds of up to two million are expected.

Dr Runcie's visit, as a guest of the churches of North India and South India, the two main Protestant churches, together with the Mar Thoma Church, will be both longer and more modest.

It is said to mark the growing relationship between the Anglican Communion and the churches of North India and South India.

Indian Anglican churches helped to form these united denominations, but thereby severed their official links with the rest of the Anglican Communion. It will be the first official visit by an Archbishop of Canterbury to those churches and it will prepare the way for them to send full delegations to the Lambeth Conference in 1988.

The Pope, meanwhile, is expected to make at least one important declaration on the subject of Christian-Hindu relations during his tour of the country, in an attempt to relieve Hindu anxiety about alleged Christian evangelism.

Jobless rise in most Tory seats

By Anthony Bevins
Political Correspondent

Unemployment has increased in more than two thirds of Conservative-held constituencies over the last 12 months.

A survey of Department of Employment statistics on constituency unemployment, carried out by *The Times*, shows that in the 12 months to September unemployment increased by 1.9 per cent in the 394 seats held by the Conservatives, compared with an overall increase of 2 per cent.

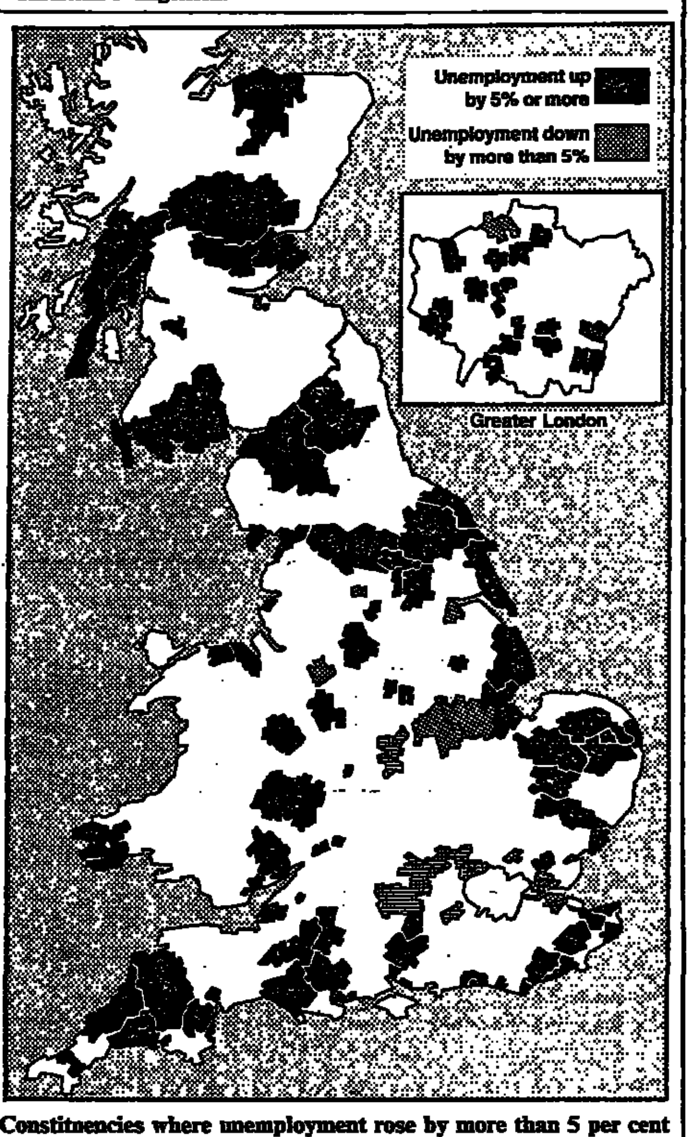
While unemployment nationally rose from 3,156,457 to 3,219,748 over the year, unemployment in Conservative constituencies increased from 1,622,899 to 1,653,748.

But there were 112 Conservative seats in which unemployment rose by more than 5 per cent, more than twice the national average, with Scotland, Cornwall, Norfolk, North Yorkshire, Dorset and Kent suffering particularly badly.

There were only 25 Conservative constituencies where unemployment fell by more than 5 per cent.

There were strong concentrations of employment success in Essex, the Thames Valley, Hertfordshire, and parts of Lincolnshire.

The tables give a breakdown of constituencies where there have been changes exceeding five per cent



Unemployment up by 5% or more ■
Unemployment down by more than 5% ▨
Greater London

Constituencies where unemployment rose by more than 5 per cent

Clwyd NW	18.1	Bexhill and Battle	14.5	Wells	14.4
Pembroke	13.7	Penrith and the Bdrs	13.6	Moray	13.2
Harrogate	13.1	E Lindsey	11.7	Torridge and W Devon	11.6
Streatham	11.4	Canterbury	11.3	Gt Yarmouth	11.1
Worthing	11.1	Mid Norfolk	10.9	Norwich	10.6
Ashford	10.4	Eastbourne	10.3	Stafford	9.7
Bridlington	9.4	Poole	9.4	N Dorset	9.3
Sutton and Cheam	9.3	Shoreham	9.2	Dover	9.0
Weston-super-Mare	8.9	Selby	8.9	Leominster	8.9
Westbury	8.9	Norwich S	8.7	N Thanet	8.7
Bury St Edmunds	8.3	Edinburgh Cent	8.1	High Peak	8.1
Argyll and Bute	8.1	S Norfolk	8.0	Scarborough	7.8
Taunton	7.8	Somerton and Frome	7.8	Ryedale	7.7
Hornsey and Wood Grn	7.7	Kingswood	7.6	Perth and Kinross	7.6
Galloway & U Nithsdale	7.5	Holland with Boston	7.5	Amber Valley	7.3
W Dorset	7.3	N Tayside	7.2	Winchester	7.2
Lincoln	7.1	Hexham	7.0	Skipton and Ripon	7.0
NE Fife	6.9	N Cornwall	6.9	SW Norfolk	6.9
York	6.8	Kensington	6.8	Barrow and Furness	6.8
Eastleigh	6.8	Mitcham and Morden	6.8	Southampton Itchen	6.7
Broxtowe	6.7	Nottingham N	6.5	Nottingham S	6.5
Feltham and Heston	6.5	Beckenham	6.4	Teignbridge	6.3
Cardiff and Camborne	6.0	Falmouth and Camborne	6.1	Cheltenham	6.0
Gedling	6.0	Bournemouth W	5.9	Gosport	5.9
Morecambe & Lunesdale	5.9	Elmet	5.9	S Suffolk	5.9
Honiton	5.9	Gloucester	5.8	Shrewsbury and Atcham	5.8
Fulham	5.7	O Bexley and Sidcup	5.7	Westminster N	5.6
Delyn	5.6	Harrow W	5.6	Dewsbury	5.5
Exeter	5.5	Brighton Pav	5.5	Harwich	5.5
Monmouth	5.5	Orpington	5.5	Newport W	5.4
Lewisham W	5.4	Southport	5.3	Plymouth Sutton	5.3
Chelmsford	5.3	Ealing Acton	5.2	Hastings and Rye	5.2
Hendon S	5.2	Torbay	5.1	Eastwood	5.1
B'ham Selly Oak	5.0	SE Cornwall	5.0	Edmonton	5.0

Constituencies where unemployment fell by more than 5 per cent

South West Hertfordshire	11.1
Henley	8.9
West Hertfordshire	8.2
Glanford and Scunthorpe	7.8
Basingstoke	7.2
Rutland and Melton	7.1
Nuneaton	6.5
Gillingham	6.4
Newbury	6.3
Bosworth	6.2
Aylesbury	6.2
North West Surrey	6.1
Billericay	6.0
Congleton	6.0
Medway	5.9
Basildon	5.8
Chipping Barnet	5.5
Stamford and Spalding	5.3
Watford	5.3
Leicester East	5.2
Castle Point	5.1
Halifax	5.1
Edinburgh West	5.1
Harlow	5.0
Hertsmere	5.0

Jamming 'costs Russians £500m'

By Richard Evans
Lobby Reporter

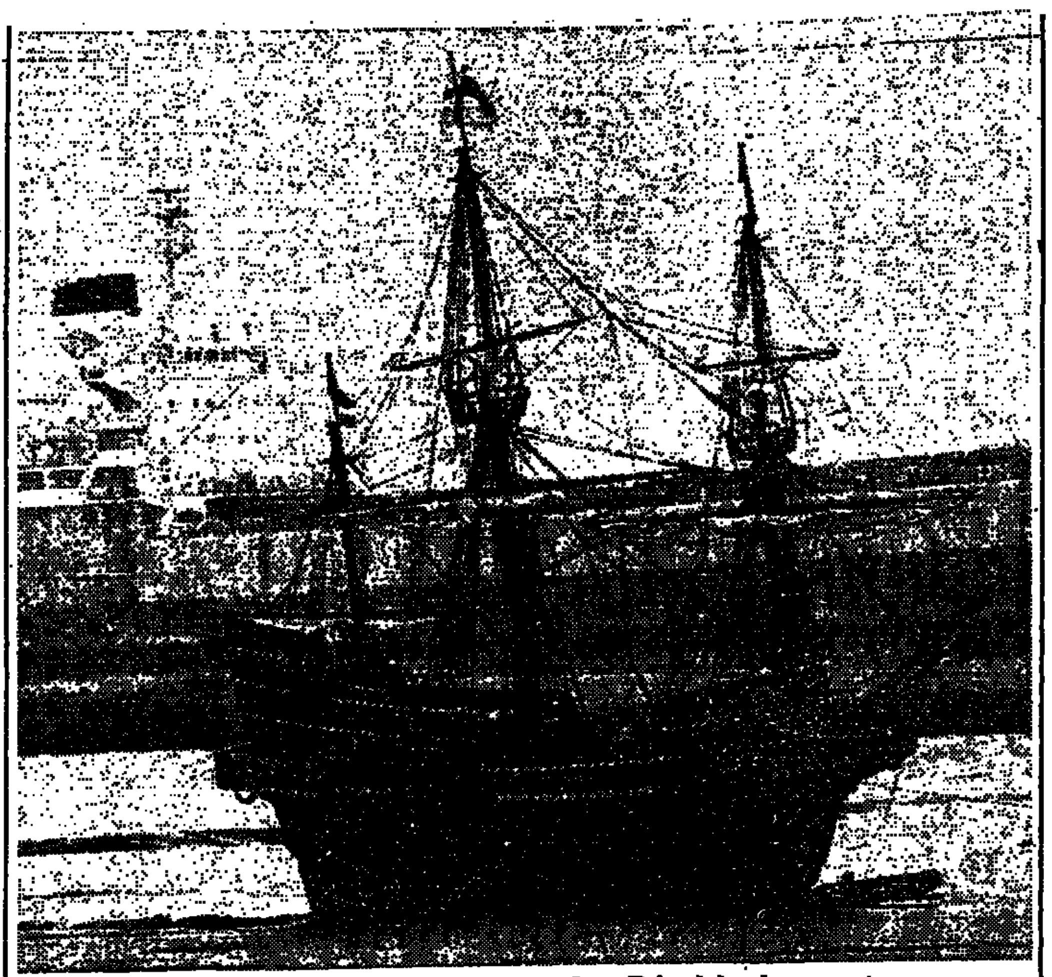
The Soviet Union is spending between £500 million and £1,000 million a year on attempting to jam foreign radio broadcasts, particularly from the BBC's Russian and Polish services, it was disclosed yesterday.

But in spite of the vast expense on a nationwide network of local and "sky" wave jammers the BBC's Russian programmes alone have a regular audience of about 14 million people, the House of Commons foreign affairs select committee was told.

"If 14 million people can hear you, they are not getting very good value for the £500 million to £1,000 million spent on jamming, are they?" Mr Ian Mikardo, Labour MP for Bow and Poplar, asked BBC officials.

Mr Bert Gallon, chief engineer for BBC external services, told MPs that it was estimated the Soviet Union used more transmitters for jamming than the BBC, Voice of America and Radio Free Europe had together for broadcasting.

Apart from a network of local transmitters used in cities for blocking outside broadcasts, there were many high-powered jammers encircling the whole of the Soviet Union.



The Golden Hinde aground four miles from Bristol, her home port.

Replica of Hinde sails into mud

Efforts were being made last night to refloat the full-size copy of Drake's Golden Hinde which ran aground just inside the mouth of the River Avon as she was leaving for a cruise in the West Indies.

The ship's master, Mr John Adams, aged 55, is a former captain of the Marques which sank last year off Bermuda with the loss of 19 lives. He gave evidence at the Plymouth inquiry into the sinking before attempting to set out on the 3,000-mile voyage with the Golden Hinde.

"I am pleased to leave all the mud-slinging of the Marques inquiry behind", he said before setting sail.

"There is no question of doubt that the Marques was hit by a strong squall. There has been a lot of ill informed comment and a lot of petty bickering during the inquiry and it saddens me greatly.

"I am afraid the way American lawyers chase money has a lot to do with it. I am pleased just to be at sea again" Mr Adams, who captained the Marques a number of years ago, said.

Two hours after leaving yesterday, the Golden Hinde hit the mudbanks. First efforts to pull her off were unsuccessful and she remained high and dry to wait for the evening tide.

● An American who sailed on the Marques left it at Tenerife because of what he called "serious mismanagement of the vessel", the inquiry into its loss was told yesterday.

Mr Philip Graf, of Sebastopol, California, intended to compete the voyage in 1983 from Plymouth to the Caribbean, but considered there was "unnecessary hazard in sailing on these ships".

Mr Graf wrote to the American Sail Training Association that he could not recommend vessel or crew "without some strong caveats to the membership". Mr Jervis Kay, counsel for the American association which organized the Tall Ships Race during which the Marques sank, said.

Ministers 'vilifying race policy critics'

By Pat Healy, Race Relations Correspondent

The Government is accused today of ignoring or vilifying its critics on immigration policy, instead of accepting the case for reform made by bodies such as the European Court of Human Rights and the British Council of Churches.

The Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants says in its annual report that immigration policies have become more restrictive in the past year and more harshly administered.

The numbers refused entry to Britain increased by 23 per cent, and 39 per cent more people were treated as illegal immigrants. There was a 13 per cent increase in the number of deportation orders enforced.

Miss Fiona Mactaggart, general secretary of the council said yesterday that the attack by Mr David Waddington, Minister of State at the Home Office, on MPs "who criticize him for imprisoning people trying to visit relatives in Britain is typical of the Government's response to opponents of its immigration policy and practice. Yet every independent investigation of that policy and practice has shown that it is unjust and discriminatory."

The report says that three sets of new restrictive immigration rules introduced this year have reduced the rights of black people to come to Britain. People in the Indian subcontinent with a legal right to join their families in Britain cannot do so because of long delays before applications are considered.

The report says: "The established ethnic minority communities in Britain are increasingly in patient at the second class status the policies impose

"The Government's response to critics of the stature of the European Court of Human Rights or the Commission for Racial Equality, which has statutory responsibility for the oversight of race relations in Britain, shows the resistance to ending the underlying discrimination in immigration law and procedures."

● The London Borough of Hackney launched a publicity campaign yesterday to urge more black people to register to vote.

£21m invested in tractor plant

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

Massey-Ferguson unveiled this week a £21 million automated production process at its tractor plant in Coventry, the largest in the Western world.

Details of the project, due to be completed next year, were released just after the announcement that the American tractor company J. I. Case, which took over International Harvester last year, planned to invest £90 million in transferring part of its United States manufacturing operation to Doncaster, South Yorkshire, creating up to 2,000 jobs.

The two developments testify to Britain's remarkable success in the tractors and agricultural machinery market.

UNITED KINGDOM TRACTOR PRODUCTION ('000 units)

	Production	Exports	Domestic registrations
1980	124	101	21
1981	99	87	21
1982	93	74	26
1983	91	68	28
1984	103	84	25

Britain produces more tractors than any other country other than the Soviet Union, and exports more than four-fifths of them. Athough about half the tractors used on British farms are imported, the net benefit to the balance of trade last year was nearly £400 million.

That was against the background of a steep decline in world trade. According to Mr Denis Schwieger, Massey's marketing director, demand outside the Eastern block and China fell from a peak of 873,000 units in 1976 to an estimated 608,000 this year.

Among the reasons he cites are increasing food surpluses and consequently depressed commodity prices, high interest rates, the difficulties of many Third World countries in meeting their debt obligations, and the likelihood of diminishing government support

The farm crisis in the United States is expected to reduce the tractor market from 205,000 units in 1975 to 118,000 in the year 2000.

Keeper who shot falcon is fined £500

A gamekeeper was fined £500 with £75 costs by magistrates yesterday after he admitted shooting and injuring a rare peregrine falcon in the Yorkshire Dales.

After the case, at Skipton, North Yorkshire, officials of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds said it represented the "tip of the iceberg" with 300 known instances of protected birds of prey being killed in the last 10 years, and three peregrine falcons being shot in Yorkshire this year.

"It is a widespread problem, but you cannot do anything unless you get either a confession or witnesses", Mr Peter Robinson, senior investigations offficer at the RSPB's headquarters at Sandy, Bedfordshire, said.

Magistrates were told how three bird watchers confronted Barry Middleton, aged 44, of Arncliffe, North Yorkshire, after they heard two shots and saw one of a pair of peregrines fall from the sky.

Middleton, employed on the 2,500-acre Arncliffe Estate owned by Mr Peter Longbottom, admitted injuring a wild bird contrary to the Wildlife and Countryside Act, 1981.

A charge of attempting to injure a second peregrine was dropped after the prosecution offered no evidence.

Mr Harry Griffiths for the prosecution said there were about 800 breeding pairs in Britain and the maximum fine for injuring one was £2,000.

Mr Colin Reeder, for the defence said that, although his client had had the sun in his eyes and believed he was shooting a herring gull or black-backed gull, the terms of the law made a not guilty plea ip appropriate.

He said Middleton, a gamekeeper for 20 years, knew there were peregrines in the area

Middleton was told that the bench accepted he had not deliberately set out to kill a peregrine falcon. "But, you are a person in a very particular position regarding these birds and more than anyone else should not have let that sort of incident happen", the chairman, Mr G E G Robinson, said.

The injured bird, which was on its first flight out of sight of the hide, is now at a bird rescue centre in Harrogate, where it is hoped it will breed with another peregrine found injured in the Yorkshire Dales.

Woman who caught Aids nursing man 'is unique'

By Thomson Prentice
Science Correspondent

The case of a woman who developed acquired immune deficiency syndrome, Aids, after caring for a man dying from the disease is very unlikely to happen again, the Department of Health and Social Security said yesterday.

The woman aged 44 was unaware of the nature of the man's illness and took no precautions in helping him at his home two-and-a-half years ago.

At that time she had small cuts on her hands and eczema, which left her vulnerable to infection from the man's body wastes, the Communicable Disease Surveillance Centre, at Colindale, north London, has concluded.

Dr Donald Acheson, the chief medical officer at the Department of Health and Social Security, said yesterday the case was "probably unique". Guidance has been issued to the health services and to the nursing profession on precautions to be taken in dealing with Aids patients.

"A great deal more is now known about Aids", the department said.

'Magi' fund half way to £8m

The National Galleries of Scotland is half way to raising more than £8 million to save Mantegna's painting *The Adoration of the Magi*, Mr Timothy Clifford, the organization's director, announced in Edinburgh yesterday.

The painting was sold last April to the J Paul Getty Museum in California, for £8,247,500. An export licence was withheld for six months to allow a British gallery time to raise the funds.

Lorry deaths on police video

Police monitoring traffic at the M1's junction 14 have a video recording of the death of two men burnt alive after their lorry and a Securicor van collided.

The men were Colin Preston, aged 48, the lorry driver, of Eshald Place, Woodlesford, Leeds, and his passenger, Edward Holt, aged 63, of Malborough Terrace, Leeds.

Singer's case

Judgement was reserved in the High Court yesterday in the action by the singer Elton John, aged 37, for a bigger share of the £200million made by his early hit records. He claims that contracts signed in 1967 and 1968 with the music publisher Dick James were "unfair and unreasonable".

QE2 search fails

The Queen Elizabeth 2 turned back in mid-Atlantic early yesterday to look for a man who had fallen overboard. The ship searched for several hours without success.

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Prorogation

BT shares inquiry completed

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Parliament was prorogued today after the Queen's Speech reviewing events and legislation in the past session had been read by Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Lord Chancellor, had been read in the House of Lords to members of both Houses.

The new session will be opened by the Queen on Wednesday.

During the morning sitting of the House of Lords, **Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone** said that law officers investigating allegations of fraud in relation to multiple applications for shares in British Telecom had completed their analysis of information supplied by the banks and would come to their decision in due course.

Lord Bruce of Donington (Lab), who raised the issue during question time, asked if the Government would state what action was proposed under the Theft Act in respect of the company's share offer in November last year.

Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone: The institution of criminal proceedings is a matter for the law officers and not for the Government.

Lord Bruce of Donington: There have been allegations that some stock broking firms instead of allocating shares to those who were supposed to have them, their small clients, in fact allotted them to their partners. Will the Government take action as these matters are within the perview of the Stock Exchange and these allegations remaining unresolved after 11 months hardly reflects a good backdrop against which Government legislation for the deregulation of the Stock Exchange would be introduced?

Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone: A large number of applications were received. What had to be done was to inquire of the banks as to the analysis of the applications that they had received and for the banks to pool their inforation, then for those to whom the inquiry was delegated to see whether there appeared any traces of impropriety.

That has now been done and the law officers will no doubt come to their decision in due course.

Improving salmon conservation

Britain could learn a lesson on conservation from new African countries, **Lord Balfour of Inchrye** (C) said when the House of Lords debated the European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization) Order and a related order dealing with the organization's immunities and privileges. In Africa precious species were no longer victims of the hunter but were guarded just as Scottish salmon should be guarded, he said.

Lady Young, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said in moving the first of the orders that the North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization was established to conserve stocks of salmon in the North Atlantic. It wad highly appropriate that Nasco's headquarters should be located in Scotland. This was the first intergovermental organization to be based there.

Lord John-Mackie, for the Opposition, said the big decrease in the number of salmon in rivers affected very many people and something should be done. There was over-fishing of the stocks in Greenland and the Faroe Islands

Turning to the second order, there was a lot of feeling about the immunities, particularly in the case of car parking, that were given to diplomatic people. He wondered if duty-free whisky and wine were necessary for their social activities.

The orders were agreed to.

Royal Assent

The following Acts received Royal Assents: Administration of Justice; Oil and Pipelines; Water (Fluoridation); European Communities (Finance); Insolvency; Bankruptcy (Scotland); Transport; Housing; Housing Associations; Landlord and Tenant; Housing (Consequential Provisions); Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland); Weights and Measures; Dartmoor Commons; Lincoln City; Merseyside Development Corporation; Cambridge City Council; Birmingham City Council; Hereford City Council; Worcester City Council; and Clwyd County Council.

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Health groups claim £250m needed to stop NHS cuts

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

At least an extra £250million will have to be spent on hospital and community health services next year if patients are not to see cuts in services and delays in planned developments, doctors, nurses and health service managers said yesterday.

The money, on top of the £100million growth the Government had already set, was needed for this year's staged pay awards, to cope with the growing number of elderly and for the cost of medical advances.

The money was needed "just for the health service to stand still", according to the British Medical Association, the Royal College of Nursing and the Institute of Health Services Management.

Their claim comes after a unique co-operation in which they commissioned a University of York study of government National Health Services which concludes that, once the health service rate of pay and price inflation is allowed for, there has been almost *no real* growth in current spending on hospital and community services since 1981.

In the past three years growth was 0.2 per cent, 0.8 per cent and a cut of 0.1 per cent.

Mr Ken Jarrold, president of the Institute of Health Services Management, said the report helped to explain "the growing gap" between the Government's claims of growth for the health service and the experience of patients of a service under great pressure with long waiting lists, staff shortages and priority services under-developed.

Health authorities had made considerable efficiency savings – £100million last year and £150million this year. But the Government was counting the money two or three times over by saying it could help to meet this year's pay award, fund developments such as hip replacements, renal services and coronary artery surgery and the demands from the growing numbers of elderly.

Mr Trevor Clay, general secretary of the Royal College of Nursing, said: "We have nurses being made redundant and nursing budgets being cut back with consequent effects on patient care."

If the Government was to achieve its stated objectives for the health service it would have to double the service's growth to 2 per cent a year and meet the full cost of this year's phased awards.

At present, the York University study says, the general picture in the health service "is of a service finding that the *available resources cannot* stretch to meet all the policy commitments and minimum requirements for technological change".

● The Institute of Directors called yesterday for compulsory health insurance to be introduced, with subsidies from the government for those on low incomes. Family doctors should charge, patients pay for "hotel" accommodation in hospital and the state gradually withdraw from health provision. In the long-term, up to £24 billion a year could be saved in public spending.

Swedish spy vessel and Soviet ship collide

From Christopher Mosey
Stockholm

A Soviet minesweeper has collided with a Swedish spy ship in a disputed area of the Baltic close to the Soviet border. On one was hurt in the collision, believed to have been caused when the Soviet vessel tried to "warn off" the 1,400-ton Orion, Sweden's most advanced electronic listening ship.

The Orion, which received only light damage, continued with what the Defence Ministry called "a routine operation" in the so-called "grey zone" of sea off the island of Gotland. It had been in the area for several days, a spokesman said. The minesweeper also suffered slight damage.

The incident may harm Sweden's attempts to normalize relations with the Soviet Union, which have been strained by various incidents in which Russian submarines are alleged to have entered Swedish waters.

A visit to Moscow next spring is being planned by the new Foreign Minister, Mr Sten Andersson, and may be followed by a visit by the Prime Minister, Mr Olof Palme.

One of the issues they are expected to raise would be the question of the "grey zone" of *Gotland, where both countries* claim mineral and fishing rights. Earlier this year a Soviet coastguard vessel boarded and turned away fishing boats from the zone, claiming it was Soviet territory.

The crew of the space shuttle Challenger on their way to the launch pad at Cape Canaveral yesterday. They are, from left to right: Wubbo Ochels, Bonnie Dunbar, Ernst Messerschmid, James Buchli, Steve Nagel, Guion Bluford, Commander Henry Hartsfield and Reinhard Furrer.

Hawke studies Geldof plea for planes

From Stephen Taylor, Sydney

Australia has promised to consider a request by Bob Geldof for 11 Hercules transport aircraft at present in mothballs to be made available for emergency relief operations in Africa.

The Live Aid organizer and drought-relief campaigner made the request at a meeting with Mr Bob Hawke, the Prime Minister, on Monday, when he produced figures indicating that the aircraft could be brought into service for a fraction of the amount estimated by Australia.

Australia has been trying to sell the aircraft.

Mr Geldof said the Prime Minister was "philosophically very inclined to help" but had made no promises "because politicians don't promise very much ever".

Pay cuts for Army and police in Nigeria

From A Correspondent
Lagos

Nigeria's Armed Forces Ruling Council (AFRC) has announced pay cuts of between 2.5 per cent and 20 per cent for the armed forces and the police.

The announcement came three days after President Ibrahim Babangida completed a tour of Nigerian Army formations during which he urged support from soldiers for his economic programme.

According to the AFRC, the pay cuts, due from tomorrow, are a "prelude to the announcement of emergency economic measures promised by the President".

Officers of brigadier rank and above will lose 20 per cent, while corporals and lower ranks will lose 2.5 per cent.

The council did not say if the cuts will affect other workers, or if deductions will be refunded as was the case 17 years ago when a military government ordered compulsory savings by Nigerian workers.

If a general pay cut follows this week's announcement it will be the second in Nigerian history and will be in line with President Babangida's declaration of a 15-month state of economic emergency on October 1. He said that the emergency period would mean belt-tightening not unlike that experienced during the civil war.

US women to meet Britain in bridge final

From a Bridge Correspondent
São Paulo

The British came a step nearer to retaining the Venice Cup in the world bridge championships when they beat France, the European champions in the semi-final.

After trailing by 62 points at the quarter final stage, they fought back splendidly to go into a lead of 30 points after 96 boards and never faltered in the final 32 to run out winners.

Although Nicola Smith and Pat Davies, Sally Horton and Sandra Landy, winners in 1981, bore the main brunt of the final stages, Jill Scott-Jones and Michelle Brunner, a new partnership, gave valuable support

Their opponents in the final will be USA1, represented by Gail Greenbere, Jacqui Mitchell, Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, Betty Ann Kennedy and Carol Sanders.

Britain won when substantially the same teams met in the last Venice Cup competition in 1981. In the final of the 1984 Olympiad the Americans won narrowly to take their revenge.

This year's final of 128 boards will be played today and tomorrow.

Venice Cup semi-final results: USA beat Taiwan 342–246; Britain beat France 276–241. Bermuda Bowl semi-final after 128 boards: USA 281, Brazil 254; Austria 329, Israel 267.

Jail mutiny may become an offence

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent

A new criminal offence of prison mutiny with a maximum sentence of 10 years' imprisonment is proposed by a government committee on prison discipline.

"Serious, dangerous offenders must be held in secure custody", the committee says in a report yesterday. "And if collectively, and almost certainly violently, they seek to overthrow the authority of the governor and staff, it is a matter of serious public interest which ought properly to be dealt with in a public trial". A separate criminal offence of assaulting a prison officer should also be introduced.

The committee says that a new independent prison disciplinary tribunal should deal with the more serious offences in jails. Prison governors should continue to deal with most offences against prison discipline

The committee, which was chaired by Mr Peter Prior, an industrialist, says that tribunal panels should consist of a legally qualified chairman and two lay members

The maximum punishment available to the tribunal for one offence should be 120 days' forfeiture of remission. There should be a right of appeal to the tribunal when the punishment imposed by the governor at one sitting exceeds seven days' forfeiture of remission and a system of appeals against tribunal decisions.

Report of the Committee on the Prison Disciplinary System: Two vols. Cmnd 9641 (Vol 1, Report, £7.40; Vol 2, Appendices, £9.40; Stationery Office).

Home Office hopes of crime curb

By Our Home Affairs Correspondent

A chance before the year 2000 to reverse rising crime and curb public misbehaviour was foreseen yesterday by Sir Brian Cubbon, Permanent Under-Secretary of State at the Home Office. He sees hope lying with a huge projected reduction in the post-war "bulge" in young adults.

Sir Brian said in London that two thirds of convicted offenders are aged under 28. Home Office studies had shown that of all males born in 1953 nearly a third had been convicted of a criminal offence by their twenty-eighth birthday.

"We now have 50 per cent more males aged between 17 and 20 than before the last war. The increase results from the post-war baby boom and its subsequent effect."

In 1955 there were a million young men aged between 17 and 20. By 1983 there were an additional 700,000.

Sir Brian said: "Current projections suggest we should expect a fall in adolescents of 30 per cent, as compared with 1983, by 1995."

Recently Sir Brian invited to a seminar permanent secretaries in relevant departments to discuss progress in crime prevention. "I am glad to see that other government departments no longer see the responsibility for crime only with the Home Office."

Crime control was not a matter only for the criminal justice system; it was everyone's responsibility, Sir Brian said.

He was giving the James Smart lecture. James Smart was Glasgow's first police chief.

Probation for wife killer

A twice widowed man, aged 73, stabbed his bride of five weeks to death when she teased him minutes after midnight on New Year's Day.

Yesterday he walked free from the dock at Winchester Crown Court on three years' probation.

Charles Frank Wilson, of Langley, near Southampton, had pleaded not guilty to murdering his wife, Sheila Emily Mary, aged 54, but guilty to manslaughter on the grounds of diminished responsibility.

Mr Justice Hodgson told Wilson, that three medical reports made clear there was only one verdict – the one he had pleaded.

He added: "It would be useless to send you to prison, you have led a blameless life and a very worthwile one. I do not think I am taking the slightest risk setting you free."

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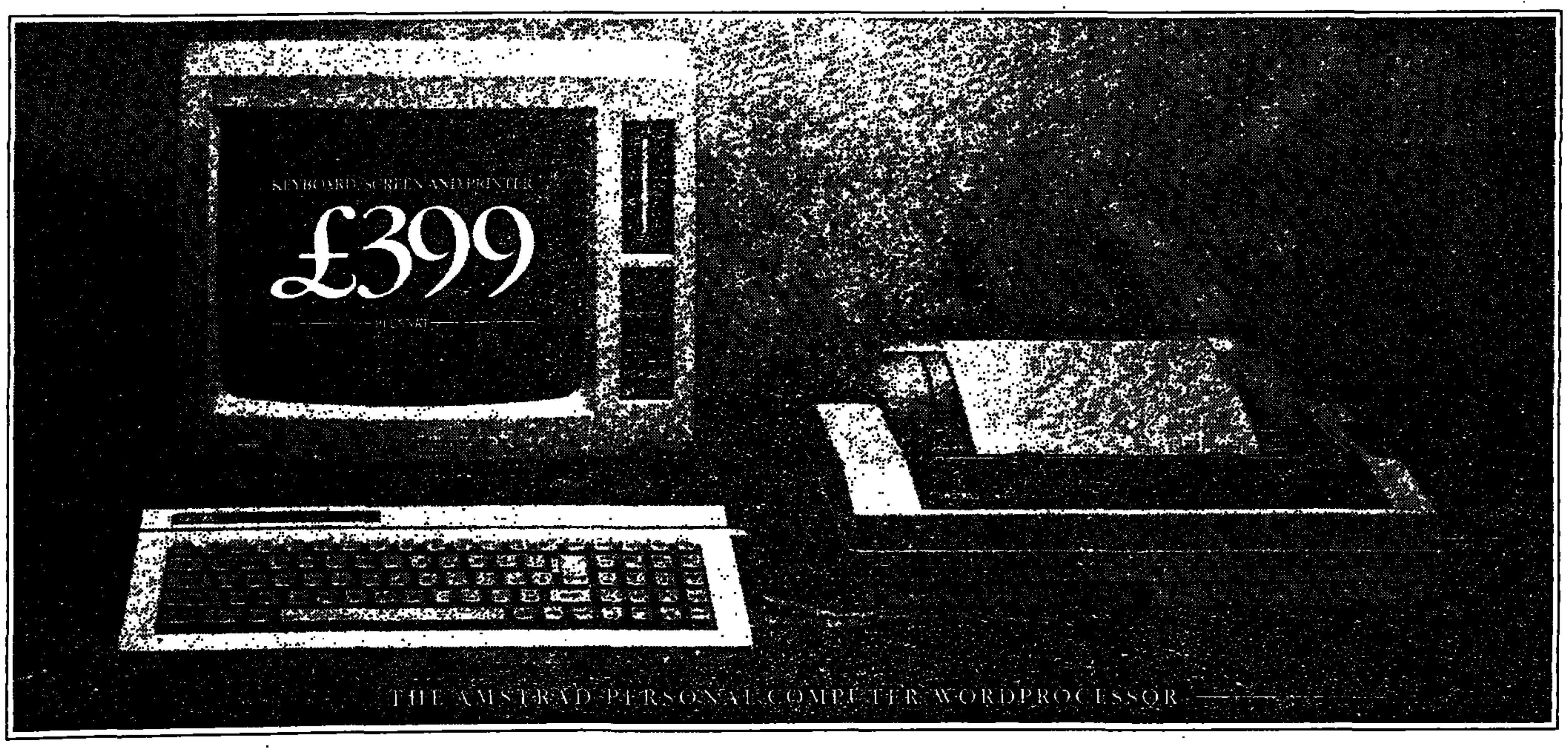
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Poland aims to win more Western plaudits with new show of clemency

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

The Polish Government's political repertoire is sadly limited; when a piece of theatre wins applause it is destined to be repeated annually until the audience starts to shuffle its feet and crumple its popcorn packets.

Last year an amnesty – freeing more than 600 political prisoners and tens of thousands of common criminals – proved to be a hit at home and abroad. So, in the next few weeks, a similar show, perhaps under the less catchy title of act of clemency, will be staged before a sceptical nation.

There are now about 370 political prisoners, and the figure is rising. After Mr *Mikhail Gorbachov'e angry* response at a Paris press conference (are there, yes or no, four million political prisoners in the Soviet Union?), the Polish Government prefers to talk in terms of non-criminal prisoners. Technically political offenders have no special status. They have the same food parcels, visiting and recreational privileges as pickpockets. But they are ofter excused work – though two secret police murderers of Father Jerzy Popieluszko have *to put in time* at the prison printing works – and share, or live in adjoining cells.

Mr Jerzy Urban, the Government's spokesman, claims that the political prisoner in Poland is largely the product of a fertile Western propaganda campaign. "Just as flower garlands are specific to Hawaii, prisoners and repressions are Poland's dominant characteristic in Western reports ... in September this year British union officials said that during the miners' strike 9,000 people had been detained, 7,000 people were injured and 69 people are still held in prison for the strike. None of these people are described as political prisoners ..."

Most of the Polish political offenders are held under "temporary arrest" – *almost 300 of* the 370 officially acknowledged. This means that their cases have not been heard by a court and that they are effectively still under investigated. Many prisoners in this category have been in jail since early this year and are suspected of organizing demonstrations or strikes, printing leaflets or underground books, and setting up radio transmiters to broadcast protest messages.

The official reason for the laggardly pace of court proceed*ings against these prisoners* varies from summer holidays to a shortage of judges, the real reason is that the authorities have for many months been considering a repetition of the 1984 amnesty, that general amnesty, announced with trepidation by the authorities lest *Solidarity* was revitalized, was supposed to mark a "new beginning, the first act in a theatre of reconciliation. The West would be wooed, would rehabilitate Poland, hand out new credits.

But the murder of Father Popieluszko in October, 1984, set back the process, forced the authorities to put disgruntled secret policemen on trial, and at the same time to initiate a new wave of Solidarity, arrests. The cells have been filling up since February. There have been some releases too, but input exceeds output.

The plan this time is to reward the "stablization" of Poland following the large claimed turnout for parliamentary elections and to give a humanitarian sheen to the new Parliament. The first step has already been made by the Patrotic Front for National Revival, a government-sponsored group that is supposed to promote dialogue between communists and non-communists, which has appealed for clemency, especially for first-time political prisoners.

How siege may aid Alfonsín

From Douglas Tweedale, Buenos Aires

The two-month state of siege imposed last week appears set to enter the history books as the most "democratic" emergency measure in Argentina's long history of political instability *and repression.*

Most Argentines, with the exception of 12 suspected right wing terrorists whom the Government is seeking to detain without charges, have not had occasion in their daily lives to notice that there is a state of siege on.

Political campaigning for Sunday's congressional elections, which was approaching fever pitch as the state of siege was announced last Friday, has continued at the same pace. Party *volunteers continue* to hand out leaflets, workers continue to paste up campaign posters on virtually every wall in this city, and the faithful continue to turn out in droves for political rallies.

If anything, the state of siege could be said to be popular. "I trust (President Raul) Alfonsin. He wouldn't do anything against the people," is a phrase heard repeatedly.

Señor Alfonsin decreed the state of siege in order to arrest the 12 suspected conspirators, but government officials have guaranteed the continued respect of political freedoms. The *measure, the Interior Minister* Señor Antonio Troccoli, explained, was taken in order to protect Sunday's elections.

Surprisingly, political observers believe the imposition of the state of siege will actually help Señor Alfonsin's Radical *Party at the polls on Sunday.* "Alfonsin has rallied people around him to defend democracy. When there is a sense of danger, voters who were undecided will support the President," said one Western diplomat.

Señor Felipe Noguera, of the opinion poll organization, Aftalion, Mora y Araujo, Noguera, said the Radical Party might lose votes among highly educated voters who do not see the state of siege as necessary.

At stake in the election are half the seats in the 254-member Chamber of Deputies, where the *Radical Party* hopes *to increase its majority.*

Voting for many of the provincial assemblies is also important, because the provincial legislatures control the nomination of national senators. The ruling party is hoping to gain control of at least three *provincial assemblies in order* to increase its power in the Senate, where it holds fewer seats than the opposition Peronist Party.

Anti-apartheid campaigners leaving Port Elizabeth magistrates court after security charges were dropped: (from left) Mrs Molly Blackburn, opposition provincial councillor, Mr Mkhuseli Jack, leader of a boycott of white businesses, and Mr Tembe Duze, a trade unionist.

Six killed in Durban violence

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

Seven people were killed overnight and 11 were injured as the focus of unrest in South Africa switched from the Cape Town area to Durban and the Eastern Cape.

In Umlazi, an African township near Durban, police found the bodies of five black men in a car which appeared to have been stoned. Its occupants seemed to have been stoned as well as shot.

The incident came after the killing by unidentified gunmen on Tuesday in Kwanashu, another black township near Durban, of Mr Francis Dlamini, a leading member of Inkatha, the mainly Zulu political party

Speculation that the Kwa Mashu killing and the car deaths could be another episode in a murderous feud between Inkatha and members of the more militantly anti-apartheid United Democratic Front is discounted by police, who linked the car deaths to a non-political faction fight between different Zulu clans.

In other incidents on Tuesday night, police shot dead a black ma n in Kwazakele, near Port Elizabeth, while dispersing a stone-throwing crowd, and a black man was hacked to death by a mob with axes in another area near Port Elizabeth.

Washington launches British bonanza

From Michael Binyon, Washington

The biggest, costliest and most magnificent exhibition ever staged by a US museum opens today in a blaze of pageantry, when more than 700 valuable items from 200 British stately homes go on display at the National Gallery of Art here.

The exhibition, which President Reagan visited yesterday, heralds the start of an unprecedented British bonanza in the Washington area, with the nationwide promotion of British goods by J. C. Penny, a big US chain stors, the vigorous promotion of tourism in Britain, and an intensive British cultural programme.

The climax comes next week with the three-day visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales, virtually the only topic of conversation nowadays in the social circles of the capital.

"The Treasure Houses of Britain" recreates in 17 specially reconstructed rooms the essence of the art and culture of English country houses. It is the biggest display of British art ever co-ordinated by the British Council, which arranged the collection and transport on 27 flights of 77 tons of priceless artefacts. Because of the huge burden of commercial insurance, the exhibition has been indemnified jointly by the British and US Governments.

About 150 owners of the most famous stately homes – *including Blenheim, Woburn* Abbey, Knole, Leacock Abbey, Beaulieu, Chatsworth and Castle Howard – have arrived for the opening, together with Mr Kenneth Baker, the Secretary of State for the Environment, Mr Richard Luce, the Minister for the Arts, and the chairmen of the British Council and the National Trust. Owners, patrons, diplomats and the National Gallery are giving dinners of pomp and splendour to mark the occasion.

More than 900,000 people are expected to pour through the exhibition in the next four months.

Britain fails to get pledge over Star Wars spin-off

From Richard Owen, Brussels

Mr Michael Heseltine, the *Defence Secretary*, emerged from extended talks with his American counterpart, Mr Caspar Weinberger, yesterday proclaiming Britain's prospective role in the Star Wars space weapons project as an entry into "tomorrow's world" of high technology, with benefits for British civilian and military industries and the creation of new jobs.

But he failed to gain written assurances from Mr Weinberger on the value of Star Wars contracts to British firms, and the undersnding reached in Brussels offered no guarantees that Washington would award specific contracts to Britain in the 18 areas of relevant expertise in which Britain specializes.

By taking up President Reagan's invitation to the allies last spring to contribute to Star Wars, Britain becomes the first Nato member to reach an accord with America n the Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI). British officials said during Mr Heseltine's visit to Washington in July that London was seeking guaranteed contracts to a value of $1.5 billion (£1 billion).

Mr Heseltine maintained yesterday, however, that it had never been his intention to obtain such guaranteees, nor was it in Mr Weinberger's power to give them. Mr Weinberger was bound by congressional restraints, and it was in any case impossible at this stage to specify which companies would be involved in which projects.

"SDI is likely to stetch over three American administrations," Mr Heseltine remarked. "Neither I nor Mr Weinberger can yet say that X dollars will go to Y company on Z date".

Star Wars was by its nature an imprecise and long-term scheme, he said, *adding that the* figure of £1 billion was only intended to convey the scale of magnitude concerned.

Earlier, at a press conference at the end of the two-day Nato defence ministers meeting, Mr Heseltine said he wanted a comprehensive agreement rather than "penny package" deals, and was seeking protection for British technology once it was committed to "an industrial economy larger than our own."

After further unscheduled talks with Mr Weinberger, he again mentioned the "sheer weight and scale" of the United States while emphassizing Britain's reaearch achievements and *academic* expertise.

Mr Heseltine said that he and Mr Weinberger could have signed an agreement on the spot yesterday on the principles of British involvement, but they did not have a mandate to do so. There had never been any question of coming to Brussels to sign an agreement.

He acknowledged that the results of earlier attempts to involve British firms in the Trident missile proct had been disappointing, but said SDI was *in complete contrast.* It had been up to British firms to make bids for Trident-related contracts, whereas in this case there was an official understanding on British industrial and scientific participation.

Mr Heseltine declined to say what assurances Mr Weinberger had given on the conditions attached to technology transfer, but said assurances designed to protect British technology were "in the legitimate interests of the United Kingdom".

When kissing had to stop

From Ivor Davis, Los Angeles

Actors in America who are asked to do kissing scenes on television or in films can now refuse without being penalized, according to a "new" policy issued by the powerful Hollywood Screen Actors' Guild.

The new policy was made public in the wake of the film communities' concern over the spread of Aids in the entertainment industry. The new policy guideline says that a producer must give a player – male or female – advance notice if required to do an "open mouth kissing scene".

The remarkable policy guideline stems from the hysteria and publicity after the death of actor Rock Hudson, who revealed he was suffering from the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

The ruling has drawn fire from some in Hollywood, who say the policy is totally ineffective because it does not protect many actors and actresses already under contract

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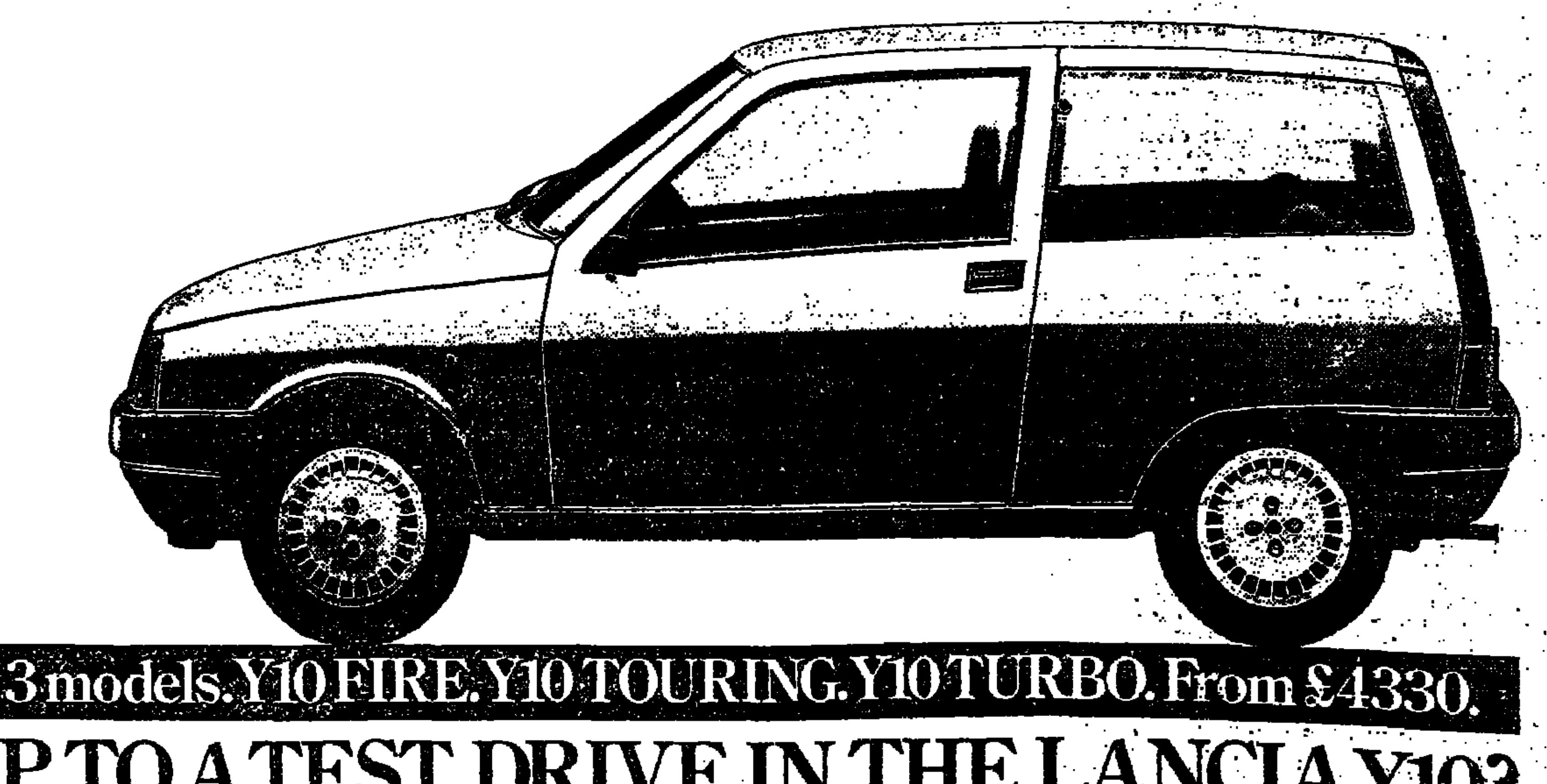

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Resentment at cool UK response to invasion may spoil Grenada visit

From Christopher Thomas, St George's, Grenada

The lights and the flags are up, the buildings on St George's harbour have had a fresh coat of paint, and they have built a new jetty especially for the royal yacht, Britannia.

But, behind the effusive welcome planned for the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh today, Grenada remains bewildered and upset by Britain's continued coolness towards the American intervention in October, 1983.

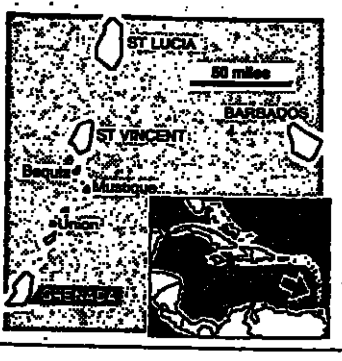
The Queen was last here in 1966, when tens of thousands of people thronged St George's despite a wild storm that washed out many of the events. The welcome today may be a little more subdued, but warm nevertheless. Volunteer committees have been working on the event for months and today is a public holiday.

The visit has many paradoxes. It probably would not even be taking place but for the overthrow by US troops of the ragged remnants of the Marxist-orientated People's Revolutionary Government.

The initial welcome will be conducted by Sir Paul Scoon, the Governor-General, whose avid support for the US operain remains sharply at adds with the official British position.

Even now few people know for sure whether Sir Paul, as the Queen's representative, truly attempted to inform her that the United States was planning to attack. He was certainly privy to the plan.

There has been much criticism in Grenada of the cost of the celebrations. But it is the sense of incomprehension about the mother country that really underlies people's attitudes.



Since the "liberation", as people proudly call it here, Grenada has fallen gladly under the American spell with its promise of much-needed economic aid. Britain may regard the Queen's Caribbean tour as a gesture of continued interest in its former colonies, but Grenada now regards itself firmly as part of the American sphere.

The Queen will today see an island vastly different from the chaotic, tense little county of two years ago. The last of the US soldiers and Caribbean peacekeeping troops left recently.

More than $60 million of US aid, as well as support from Canada, the EEC and elsewhere have begun to make a noticeable impact on the quality of life.

● The Queen, on her way from Barbados to Grenada, was yesterday stopping for a picnic on the island of Mustique, where Princess Margaret is on holiday.

Britain focuses on Indonesia

From Paul Routledge, Jakarta

Mr Tim Renton, Britain's Foreign Office new minister with responsibility for South-East Asia, is to make his first appearance on the regional stage at a private meeting of top-level diplomats tomorrow.

He will chair a two-day conference here of ambassadors and high commissioners to Asean countries, as Britain begins an aggressive bid for business in Indonesia.

An 11-man delegation headed by Lord Remnant, deputy chairman of Ultramar Ltd, will spend next week drumming up trade, particularly in the high technology field. The Mission coincides with the Foreign Office's annual diplomatic review of events and policy in South-East Asia.

Officials discount any dramatic shift in strategy, but there will be a reappraisal of growing British interests in what is still one of the world's fastest growing markets, despite a recent decline in growth rates.

Mr Renton will also see senior Indonesian politicians during his stay including Dr Ali Warthana, the co-ordinating minister for the Economy, Finance and Industry.

Jakarta is looking for an extension of soft loans from Britain, at 3.5 per cent over 25 years, and while a formal announcement is not expected until the end of November, informed sources calculate that the Government will double its £14 million annual aid

Lord Remnant's team will be exploring the scope for joint Indonesian-British ventures

Press mar royal trip to wildlife hideaway

Paynesville, Australia (Reuter) – The Prince and Princess of Wales went for a walk through an Australian wildlife hideaway yesterday and found that journalists had scared the animals away.

The Royal couple took time off from a busy round of formal engagements to visit Rotaman Island Bird Observatory near here in the eastern corner of the southern state of Victoria. But the emus and kangaroos which abound on the small island were nowhere to be seen.

The 80-strong local and foreign press corps, allowed a few minutes on the island to watch the couple arrive by launch, sent a group of wild emus heading for the bush.

"We were disappointed we didn't see any animals like emus or kangaroos, though we did see some tracks," ornithologist Dr Douglas Dow said.

"I think the press scared them off and there wasn't much we could do about that," Dr Dow, who walked with the royal couple, told reporters.

However Prince, Charles, a bird enthusiast and President of the International Wildlife Trust, did see birds, including black swans and crimson rosellas.

The half-hour walk was followed by an informal outdoor barbecue on the island with 50 Australian bird watchers. The media had their own barbecue a few miles away

Prince Charles was presented with an atlas of Australian birds.

● GUEST STUNNED: **The princess of Wales stunned guests at a Melbourne charity ball last night by wearing a necklace, a wedding gift from the Queen, as a headband. The emerald and diamond necklace sparkled as the royal couple took the first dance before nearly 800 guests in a city hotel.**

The Princess of Wales, wearing as a headband a necklace given to her by the Queen, and Prince Charles dancing at a charity ball in Melbourne last night

Craxi sticks to his old line-up for coalition

From Our Own Correspondent
Rome

The problem caused by th fall of Signor Bettino Craxi's coalition as a direct consequence of the Achille Lauro affair is about to be solved by resurrecting his old Government rather than looking for a new one.

Signor Craxi himself, after a series of meetings yesterday with coalition leaders, expected to be able to go to Parliament on Monday with his Government intact and simply ask for a vote of confidence.

He had handed in his resignation at the height of the Achille Lauro crisis, after one of his coalition partners, the Republicans, withdrew their support because of disagreements over his handling of the affair. The Arab hijackers of the Italian cruise ship were arrested in Sicily by the Italian authorities after US aircraft had forced the Egyptian plane i which they were travelling t land at the Sigonella Nato bas near Catania.

President Cossiga had, from the beginning of the political crisis, insisted that the politicians must produce a new Government quickly. The simplest way to do this was to advise the Prime Minister to withdraw his resignation, a least until he had appeare before Parliament.

● The Supreme Court rule last night that the investigatio into the Achille Lauro affair wa the responsibility of the judicia authorities in Genoa. The rulin settled a jurisdiction disput between Genoa and the Sicilia city of Syracuse. The Achill Lauro set out on its ill-fate cruise from Genoa, the Signells base falls within t jurisdiction of the Syracu courts.

Law Report October 31 1985 Divisional Court

Private fostering not an illegal adoption

Gatehouse v R and Another

Before Lord Justice Watkins, Mr Justice Bush and Mr Justice Kennedy

[Judgment delivered October 29]

A married couple who had received a child for fostering after arrangements made by the child's mother and a third party for the child to be fostered, were not guilty of the offence of receiving a child placed with them for the purposes of adoption, contrary to section 29(3)(c) of the Adoption Act 1958, as amended by section 28 of the Children Act 1975.

It was necessary for the prosecution to show that a person was guilty of contravening section 29(1) of the 1958 Act, as amended, in order to prove that a defendant was guilty of the offence under section 29(3)(c).

Where justices were faced with a charge relating to an offence alleged to be committed contrary to section 29(3)(c), the proper question they should ask themselves was what was the real purpose of the persons who received the child into their care.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held when it dismissed the prosecutor's appeal against the decision of the Walton-on-Thames Justices on March 23, 1984, when they acquitted the defendants of offences contrary to section 29 of the 1958 Act as amended.

Mr R. M. K. Gray, QC and Mr Robin Spon-Smith for the prosecutor; Mr Mark Everall for the defendants.

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS said that the defendants were well respected members of their local and church community and had inquired from the county council the possibilities of fostering a child.

It was made clear to them if a particular child was placed with them, there was no guarantee that the child would be placed with them for adoption.

The defendants subsequently learnt of the birth of a child to a girl who had come to this country for an abortion. They had spoken to the girl and a third party, W, with a view to providing a placement of the child in some status.

Having taken legal advice, their solicitor drafted a document by which they received the child into their care. The document carefully avoided mention of adoption, and the child was placed with them in foster care.

The justices were satisfied that the defendants had taken all steps to establish the legal position relating to private fostering and adoption placement, and that although they had a strong hope that they might adopt the child in time to come, they received the child solely on a fostering basis, and they were aware that the child's mother could remove the child from them before adoption.

His Lordship said that following the Houghton Report in October 1972 certain recommendations were made which resulted in the tightening up of the provisions relating to adoption of children.

It was possible for adoption to follow a period of fostering: the effect of section 9(2) of the Children Act 1975 permitted the making of an application for adoption after the required period of residence.

In the present case, the justices were in error in concentrating on the defendants' state of mind on receipt of the child into their care. They had to be satisfied that a contravention of section 29(1) of the 1958 Act, as amended, was established before considering the question of convicting the defendants.

It was clear that the defendants were not responsible for the arrangements of placing the child in their care; the only possible persons were the child's mother and W, and the only evidence of the mother's intention was the document drawn up which expressly stated that the child was to be placed with the defendants for fostering.

W undoubtedly played a part in making arrangements for handing the child over; he acted as some sort of agent for the child's mother. But there was no clear evidence to establish that W placed the child in the defendants' care to enable them to adopt it. The evidence showed that it was for fostering purposes.

Therefore, as an essential preliminary, the justices had to consider that W, in making the arrangements for placement, was guilty of an offence under section 29(1) of the 1958 Act, as amended, and at no stage did they do so in the present case. Without a person found guilty under section 29(1), the receivers of a child could not be guilty of an offence under section 29(3) (c).

If the justices had asked the right question, the only course, on the evidence, would have been to acquit the defendants which they did do but for the wrong reasons.

Once it was established that an offence had been committed under section 29(1), it was not sufficient for the justices to decide what the receivers of the child had in their mind for the immediate future of the child, but what was the real purpose of the receivers in taking the child into their care.

For the justices to have performed their task properly in the present case, a prosecution against W should have been brought at the same time or before that against the defendants who received the child.

Mr Justice Bush and Mr Justice Kennedy agreed.

Solicitors: Sharpe Pritchard & Co for Mr F. A. Stone, Kingston upon Thames; John Pearson, New Malden.

Transport secretary had no power to stop lorry ban

Regina v Secretary of State for Transport, Ex parte Greater London Council.

Before Lord Justice Oliver, Lord Justice Neill and Lord Justice Balcombe

[Judgment delivered October 29]

The Secretary of State for Transport had no power to make a prohibitory order under paragraph 2 of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 merely on the ground that he was of the opinion that a public inquiry was necessary when the decision of the Greater London Council not to hold a public inquiry did not constitute a failure by the GLC satisfactorily to discharge its duty under section 122(1) of the Act.

The Court of Appeal, in a reserved judgment, dismissed an appeal by the secretary of state from a decision of Mr. Justice McNeil who ordered that the direction of the secretary of state to the GLC dated February 1, 1985, be quashed. That direction, after reciting that the secretary of state was satisfied that the duty of the GLC under section 122(1) of the 1984 Act was not satisfactorily discharged, purported pursuant to a power conferred by paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part I of Schedule 9 to the Act to prohibit the GLC from making or bringing into operation a draft order restricting the driving of heavy goods vehicles in the London area without his consent and imposed a similar prohibition on any other order under section 6 of the Act with respect to the driving in the Greater London area of goods vehicles.

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was refused.

Mr Robert Alexander, QC, Mr Andrew Collins, QC and Mr Paul Walker for the secretary of state; Mr R A Henderson, QC and Mr L J West for the GLC.

LORD JUSTICE OLIVER said that for a long time the GLC had under review the question of the nuisance and general loss of amenity to those living in Greater London of the passage, particularly at night and at week-ends, of heavy lorries.

In June 1981 they set up a panel of inquiry to examine the social, economic and environmental effects of banning, either at all times or at selected times, heavy lorries within a circular route on or near the boundary of the Greater London area and the practicalities of enforcing any such ban.

The panel reported in 1983. The question of imposing a ban for selected periods was seriously considered and there were produced by the GLC transport committee concrete proposals which were finally incorporated into the Greater London (Restriction of Goods Vehicles) Traffic Order (GLC 1985/343). It was due to come into force on December 16 next.

That order was made without holding a public inquiry which the GLC was empowered to hold under the statutory regulations. It was because of the failure to hold such an inquiry that the secretary of state determined that the GLC was not satisfactorily exercising its statutory powers and issued the prohibitory direction.

The primary question before the court was whether, as a matter of construction of the Act, and of paragraph 8 of Schedule 9 and section 122 in particular, the secretary of state had power to issue a prohibitory direction under paragraph 2 solely because of a failure by the GLC to follow a particular authorized, but not compulsory, procedure in discharging its duty under the Act.

Looking at the provisions of the Schedule and the Act generally his Lordship did not consider that, there being no question of unlawfulness or unreasonableness, the discharge of the statutory duty in relation to the control of heavy commercial vehicles could be treated as not satisfactorily discharged merely on the ground that it was discharged by an order made without holding a public inquiry.

Lord Justice Neill and Lord Justice Balcombe delivered concurring judgments.

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor; Mr R. A. Lanham.

Libel defendants must disclose justification

Lucas-Box v Associated Newspapers Group plc and Another

Whatever the previous practice, in future a defendant relying on a plea of justification in a libel action had to make it clear to the plaintiff what was the case which he sought to set up, the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Ackner, Lord Justice Mustill and Lord Justice Nourse) held on October 30.

LORD JUSTICE ACKNER, delivering the judgment of the court, said that it was axiomatic that the function of pleadings was to define the issues between the parties so that each knew what the other's case was. There was no reason why libel actions should be immune from the ordinary pleading rules.

Where the meaning of the words complained of was unclear it had become the settled practice for the plaintiff to plead the meanings which he said the words bore. But the court had been told that there was a convention that a defendant would not state in his defence what he alleged was the natural and ordinary meaning of the words complained of.

A defendant relying on a plea of justification had to make his case clear to the plaintiff and where the particulars of defence were ambiguous the situation had to be made unequivocal.

Food sale ancillary to occupier's business

Dodds v Spear

The sale of food by a trader at a Sunday market under an arrangement with the occupiers to pitch a site in return for a sum of money, could properly be described as "ancillary to a trade or business carried on by him or some other person on identifiable property" thereby excluding him from the application of section 19(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982. He did not have to register with a local authority.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Glidewell and Mr Justice Woolf) so held on October 22 in dismissing the prosecutor's appeal by case stated against an acquittal by the Bristol Justices.

MR JUSTICE WOOLF said that he did not accept that the defendant's activity could not be regarded as ancillary to the occupiers' trade or business. It was a question of fact before the justices and they were entitled to find that the defendant's activity was ancillary on the material before the court.

However, the justices were not entitled to find that the sale or offer or exposure for sale of food took place at a notified temporary market within the meaning or section 19(11) (a) (ii) and section 12 of the 1982 Act.

Correction

In *In re Arctic Engineering Ltd* (*The Times*, October 29) counsel for the liquidator were Mr Ian McCulloch and Mr David Turrell.

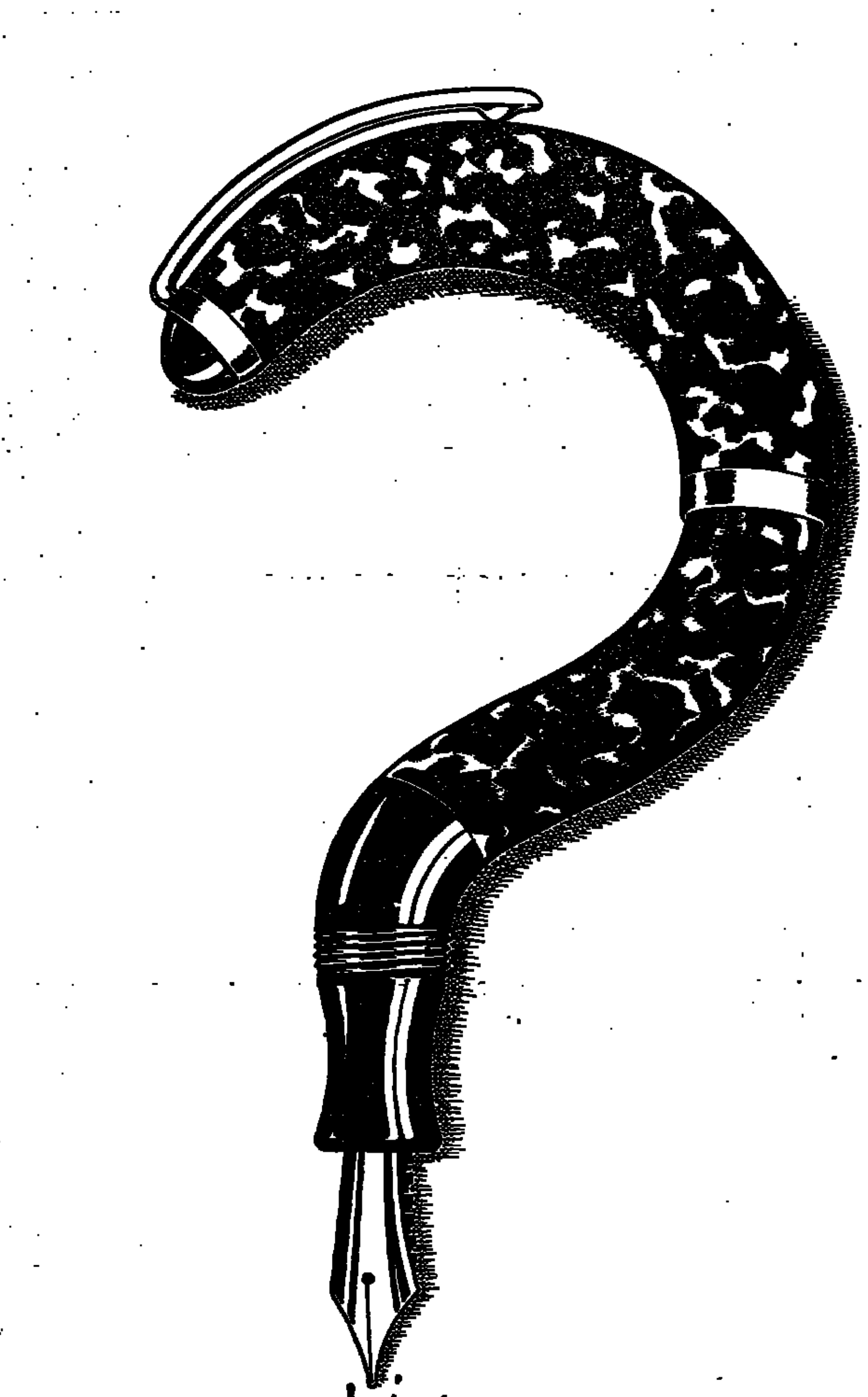
Justice knew of defendant's record

Regina v Birmingham Justices, Ex parte Robinson

Where a magistrate had inadvertently become aware of the previous convictions of a defendant appearing before him, it was his duty to disclose that fact forthwith since the established principle was that justice should not only be done but should also manifestly appear to be done: *R v East Kerrier Justices, Ex parte Mundy* ([1952] 2 QB 719, 724).

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Lloyd and Mr Justice Tudor Evans) so held on October 16 in a reserved judgment when it unanimously quashed convictions imposed on the defendant by Birmingham Justices on November 27, 1984, in respect of offences contrary to sections 7 (4) and 8 (7) of the Road Traffic Act 1972, as substituted in Schedule 8 to the Transport Act 1981.

MR JUSTICE TUDOR EVANS said that although the magistrate deposed that he did not mention to the other justices the fact that he had seen the form containing the defendant's previous convictions until after the court's decision to convict, a bystander in court might wonder whether all the justices knew of the previous convictions and whether that might have affected their decision.



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Angry union response to Athens pay freeze erodes Socialist control

From Mario Modiano, Athens

The Greek Government seems to be losing its grip on the labour movement, which has reacted vigorously against its austerity programme as well as to harsh discipline imposed to silence dissent.

A takeover of the government-controlled General Conference of Greek Workers equivalent of the TUC, was averted only at the last moment yesterday when an injunction was obtained from an Athens judge by pro-government unionists.

The Socialists lost their majority on the confederation's governing council when seven of their 25 members who objected to its endorsement of Government economic policy were expelled from the government party.

The seven dissidents on Tuesday joined the council's 20-strong Communist minority, deposed the confederation's pro-government president, Mr George Raftopoulos, and proclaimed a national strike for November 14 against the decree freezing wages until 1988.

Acting on a plea from unions in Petras, north-wester Greece, Judge Stefanos Gavras suspended the validity of these decisions until he hears the case on November 11.

The council's majority of Communists and dissident Socialists immediately declared that they would ignore his injunction since they had acted in accord with the confederation charter. The group will meet today to elect Mr Yiannis Papamichail, leader of the railmen's union, as the new president.

The legality of these actions has been challenged by the deposed leadership, but confusion is intensified because the union press office remains in the hands of supporters of Mr Raftopoulos; it has proclaimed him "the genuine president" of the union.

Mr Raftopoulos has invited the confederation's 250-member general council to consider the crisis today.

The risk of losing control of main unions after taking such pains over four years to harness them has alarmed the Government enough for its executive to hold an emergency session under Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Prime Minister, on Tuesday at which Mr Raftopoulos spoke.

Mr Papandreou had clearly under-estimated the strength of reaction triggered by the austerity package, which is expected to reduce an average wage this year by 10 per cent, to boost inflation to 30 per cent, and to increase unemployment to nearly 10 per cent.

Explosive discovery in Austrian cellar

From Richard Bassett, Vienna

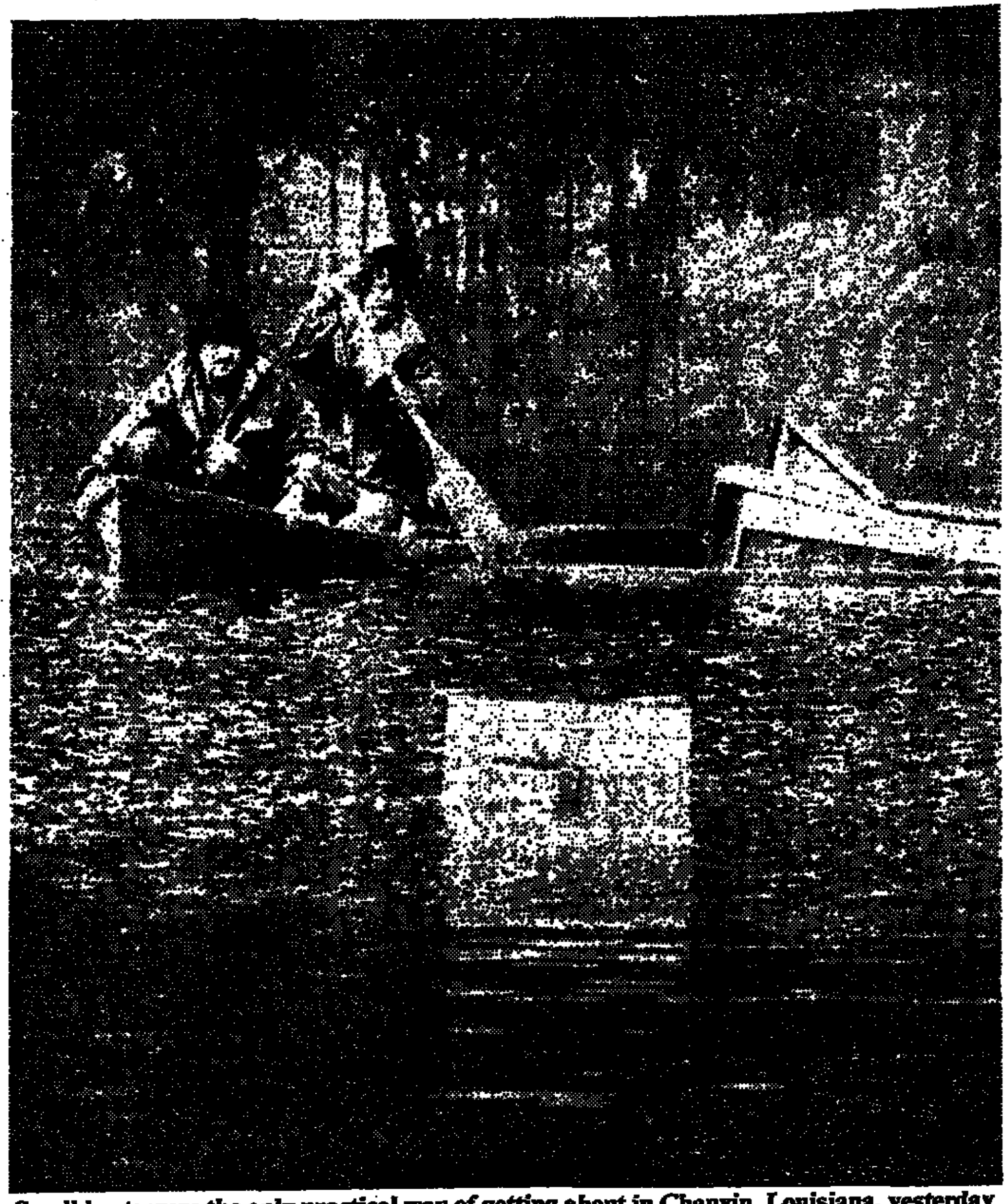
Less than a week after the Austrian Government's new wine law came into force to prevent wine being artificially sweetened with the toxic anti-freeze agent diethylene glycol, a new and potentially far more dangerous chemical has been found in a large consignment of Austrian wine.

Government officials in Vienna announced yesterday that quantities of sodiumazide, normally used in explosives had been found in more than 1,000 litres of Austrian wine.

This compound, warned medical experts from the *University of Vienna*, was potentially lethal and a far more serious threat than glycol. Taken in any significant quantity it would lead to an immediate drop of blood pressure and damage to the nervous system.

But the bottles tested so far have yielded only 0.5 to 1.5 milligrams of the substance to the litre. One medical expert said an adult would need to consume more than 50 litres of wine in one day to suffer any *immediate ill effects*.

Although the contaminated wine has only been found in one place in Burgenland, the country's easternmost wine producing region, Herr Walther Beck, an official of the Austrian Cellar Inspectorate, said this was only the beginning of the affair.



Small boats were the only practical way of getting about in Chauvin, Louisiana, yesterday after flooding caused by Hurricane Juan invaded the town.

Bonn inquest on Paraguay trip

From Frank Johnson, Bonn

Herr Friedrich Zimmerman, the West German Minister of the Interior, has returned from a visit to South America during which his civilities towards General Alfredo Stroessner, the Paraguayan President, were considered by many here to have been above and beyond the call of duty.

President Stroessner has ancestral links with Bavaria. Herr Zimmerman holds the most senior of the Bonn portfolios allotted to Herr Franz Josef Strauss's Bavarian Christian Social Union (CSU). At a press conference in the Paraguayan capital, Asuncion, Herr Zimmerman "regretted" what he called the campaign against Señor Stroessner in the West German and other media in May when the president was planning to visit West Germany, mainly Bavaria.

Paraguay was at the time widely believed to be harbouring the Auschwitz SS doctor, Josef Mengele. Herr Zimmerman also said that Señor Stroessner was the "undisputed" head of "a small, orderly and peaceful" country. Furthermore, there were "practically no political prisoners" in Paraguay.

All this has raised the possibility of Señor Stroessner deciding to come here after all.

Top security for Gandhi murder anniversary

The first anniversary of the assassination of Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, will be marked today with a huge rally in the ceremonial heart of the capital. Also evident will be one of the most stringent security deployments Delhi has seen.

City workmen have been building a tall rostrum, enclosed with bullet-proof glass, where Mr Rajiv Gandhi, Mrs Gandhi's successor, will address the rally. More than a million people are expected to mourn with him the loss of his mother. A 90-ft high image of Mrs Gandhi will dominate the scene.

Those who saw the film *Gandhi* will recognize the location. It is that broad expanse of processional highway fringed with lawns known as Raj Path, formerly King's Way, which the film's opening scene depicted full of Indians for the funeral in 1948 of the Mahatma.

Today, two air force helicopters will provide constant surveillance of the crowd. Around 35,000 police and paramilitary reservists will be on hand. Sharp-shooters will perch on the roofs

The new prime ministerial security force of black-denim-clad commando troops will keep the public out of revolver shot of Mr Gandhi, who will, as usual, be sporting a bullet-proof waistcoat beneath his high-necked Nehru jacket.

Elsewhere in the city the police guard on bus and railway stations is being increased, and additional security has been imposed at the airport. Further police reinforcements are standing by in nearby states.

Mrs Gandhi's funeral site, a dusty open space, has yet to receive the full treatment its planners desire. According to Mr Mohammad Yunus, chairman of the Memorial Trust, it will – some day – be surrounded by a beautiful green wood of nearly 15,000 exotic trees.

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France says Aids claim was not premature

Paris – France sought to defend itself yesterday against the US, which greeted its announcement of the discovery of a treatment to prevent the development of Aids. The announcement is considered premature and based on insufficient clinical evidence (Diana Geddes writes).

Only two patients have been treated with the drug, Ciclosporine, one for eight days and the *other* for only five. The French doctors claim to have achieved extraordinary results.

Mme Georgina Durfix, Minister for Health and Social Security, argued that early diclosures was "worth it, even if only a small number of people are cured.

Heroin verdict

Sydney (Reuter) – A Thai jeweller and an Autralian restauranteur were found guilty of possessing more than £34 million worth of heroin, Austalia's biggest drug haul. The Supreme Court will pass sentence today.

Marchesa freed

Sienna (Reuter) – Marchesa Isabella Guglielmi, an Italian noblewoman kidnapped more than four months ago, was freed near here late on Tuesday night. Newpapers said her relatives paid a *two* billion lire (£800,000) ransom.

Springer will

Berlin (Reuter) – Axel Springer, one of Europe's most powerful press barons, left his entire estate to his West German media empire for the next 30 years, ordering that his assets be kept from his heirs until the year 2015.

Going home

Washington – A Soviet merchant seaman who twice jumped from his ship into the Mississippi river near New Orleans in an apparent attempt to defect has decided to go home.

Peru shake-up

Lima (Reuter) – Peru's new Government retired 10 generals and 13 colonels as part of a shake-up of the police.

Correction

Focus on Italy (October 30) showed *Gabriele Pierotti* and Claudio Mussi in their shop in Old Compton Street, not the Camisa brothers as stated.

£85m to keep French poor warm

From Diana Geddes
Paris

A one billion franc (£85 million) package of measures to help the poor and destitute in France survive the coming winter – and persuade them to vote Socialist in the general election next spring – was approved by the Cabinet yesterday.

Unlike Britain. France has no social security safety net for those without jobs who cannot make ends meet, with the result that tens of thousands go cold, hungry and homeless every year, relying on local charities and town hall handouts to keep them alive.

Last year's particularly severe winter, in which many penniless down-and-outs died, highlighted the scandal of what have become known as "the new poor" in France. The Government wants to avoid a similar embarrassment this year in the run-up to the general election.

After five years in power, the Socialists have finally decided that this winter, for the first time, families who are unable to pay their bills should not have their gas and electricity cut off between December 1 and April 15. In the most needy cases, they wll receive a government grant to help toward the payment of the bills. Others will have the payment deferred.

Government officials have also been given instructions to review carefully cases where families are threatened with expulsion from their homes because of failure to pay rent.

Navy chief attacks spy deal

Washington (Reuter) – The US Navy Secretary, Mr John Lehman, has clashed with the Justice Department over a reduced prison sentence deal worked out with a father-and-son spy team that passed naval secrets to Moscow.

Justice Department officials defended the deal, but Mr Lehman denoounced it, saying the pair should be "shot or hanged". Under the deal, known as a "plea bargain", John Walker, aged 48, a retired Navy communications specialist who spied for Moscow for 17 years, will be sentenced to life in prison.

His son, Michael, aged 22, a seaman on a nuclear aircraft carrier, will receive a reduced sentence of 25 years instead of life.

John Walker has agreed to co-operate in a government inquiry on what prosecuters have called the most damaging security breach in the Navy's history and one of the most serious US espionage cases in decades.

Mr Lehman denounced the plea bargain, saying it sent the wrong message. He assailed what he called a Justice Department policy of viewing espionage as "just another white-collar crime".

Boost for Bermuda Premier

Hamilton, Bermuda (Reuter). – The United Bermuda Party, led by the Prime Minister, Mr John Swan, has won five more seats in general elections to gain unprecedented power.

The party, which has not lost an election since party politics began in 1968, held a record 31 of the 40 seats in the House of Assembly after counting ended on Tuesday night.

Mr Swan, aged 50, the second black Prime Minister of the British colony's Government, pledged to press on with his present programmes

A split in the Opposition, which led to the formation of a new centrist party this year, clearly strengthened Mr Swans' position, political analysts said.

The long-established Progressive Labour Party won seven seats and the new National Liberal Party took the other two. There was a record low voter turnout of less than 70 per cent, election officials said.

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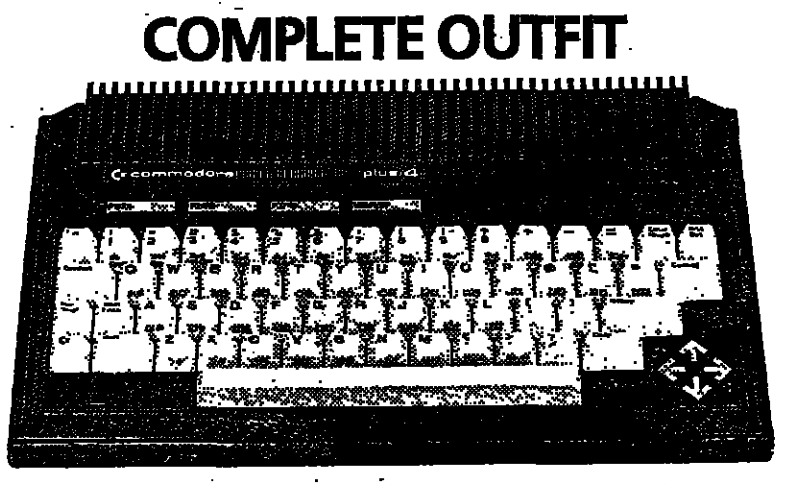

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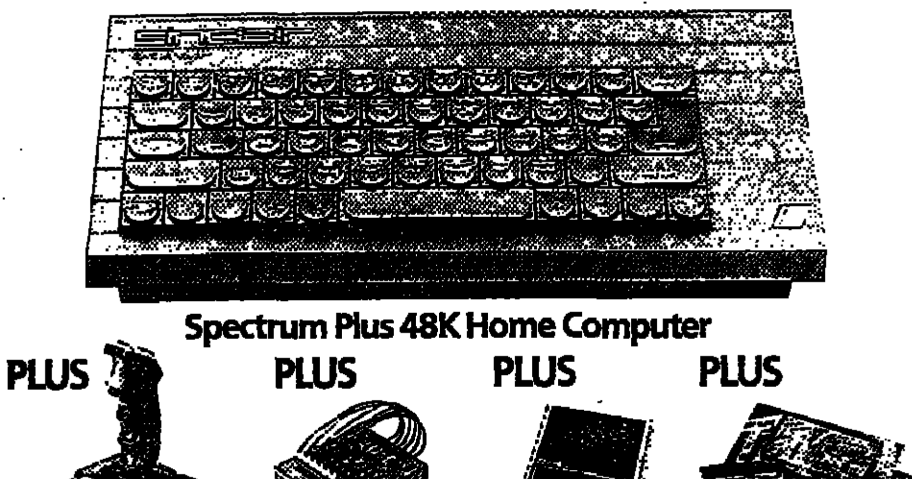

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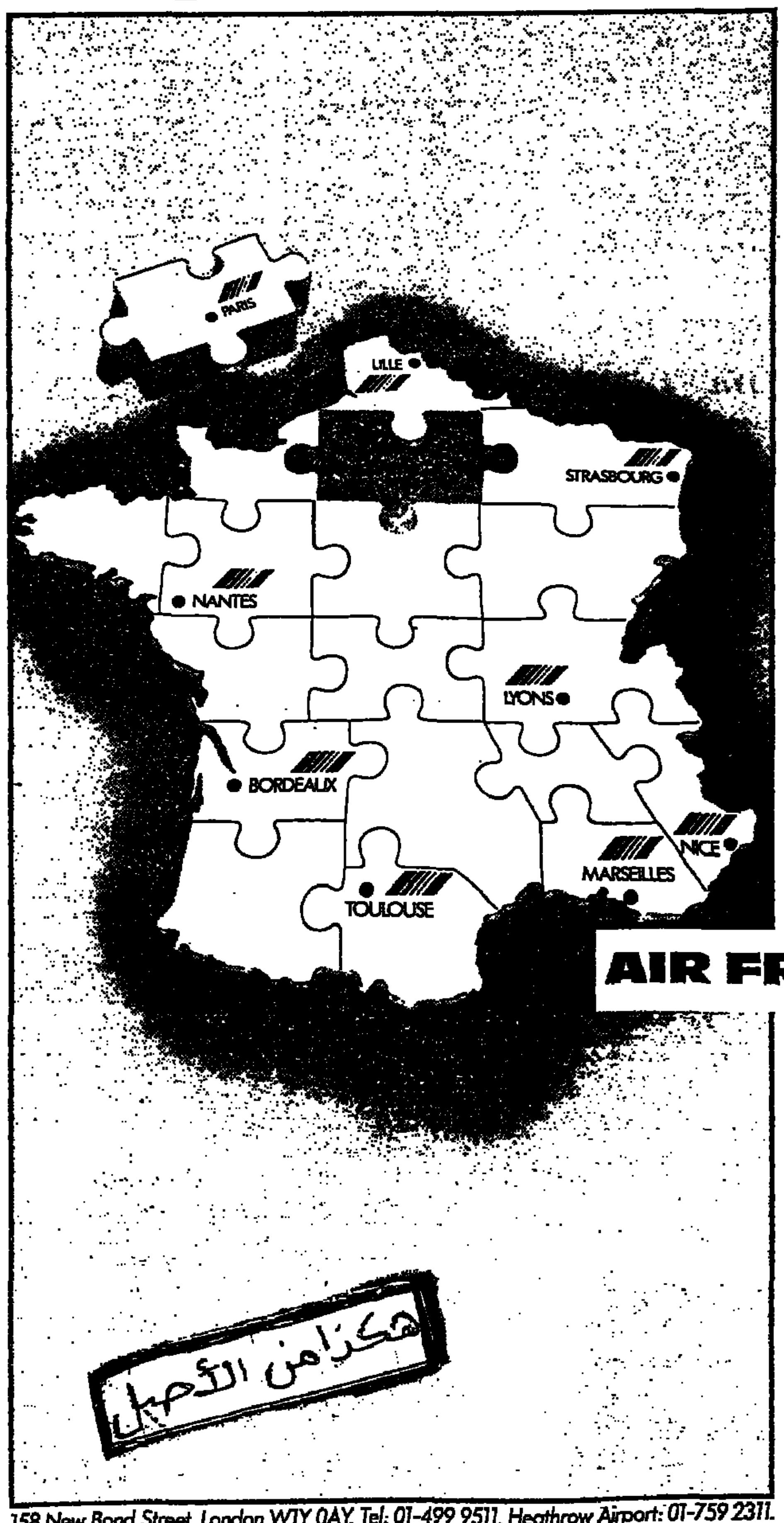

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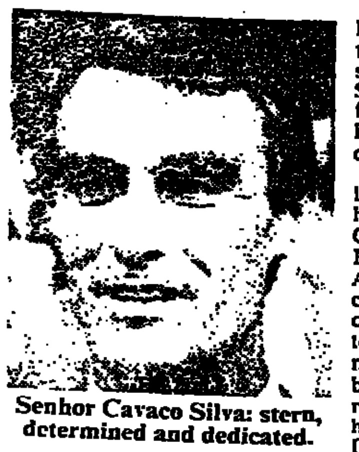
Portugal's new Premier sure his minority government will survive

From Martha de la Cal, Lisbon



Senhor Cavaco Silva: stern, determined and dedicated.

The Social Democratic leader, Senhor Anibal Cavaco Silva, has been appointed Prime Minister of Portugal by President Eanes.

The appointment was based on the result of the October 6 parliamentary election, in which the Social Democrats won 29.9 per cent of the votes and replaced the Socialists, who dropped from 37.3 to 20.8 per cent, as the country's leading party.

After his appointment, Senhor Cavaco Silva said he expected his Cabinet to take office on November 5. He will then have 10 days to bring his programme before the neew Parliament.

His administration will be the second minority government since the 1974 revolution, and will be very dependent on support from its allies, the Christian Democrats and the new pro- Eanes Democratic Renewal Party, whose programme differs from that of the Social Democrats. The Socialists and Communists have announced that they will be in opposition.

Senhor Cavaco Silva, aged 46, based his election campaign on his image as a conservative who would bring change to Portugal. He stands for a free-market economy instead of socialism. He wants to liberalize the job security laws and withdraw the government from industry.

Described by associates as "a stern, determined man who is totally dedicated to his work and his family", he is expected to demand a great deal from his collaborators.

In a grassroots surge at his party's congress in May, Senhor Cavaco Silva took over leadership from its warring factions and withdrew the Social Democrats from the coalition with the Socialists, bringing down Dr Mário Soares' Government and precipitating the parliamentary elections.

He campaigned almost singlehandedly and managed to lay the blame for the country's ills squarely on the shoulders of the Socialists, exonerating his party from any blame even though it had five ministers in the coalition Government.

No one now questions his leadership. Last week he forced his party to endorse the former Christian Democrat leader, Professor Diogo Freitas do Amaral, as the Social Democrat candidate for January's presidential elections. He is putting together a minority Government which he confidently believes will be accepted by the new Parliament, even though his party and its Christian Democrat allies have only 110 of the 250 seats.

Anibal Cavaco Silva was born in a small village in the southern Algarve region, where his parents run a petrol station and small fruit farm. In spite of his humble origins, he was able to study at Lisbon University, where he was an outstanding student. He then took a doctorate in economics at York University in England. Returning to Portugal, he became a professor of economics and director of planning at the Bank of Potugal.

He joined the Social Democrat Party in 1974 and was minister of Finance between 1980 and 1981.

35-count indictment against seized guru

From Trevor Fishlock
New York

Bhagwan Shree Rajnessh, held in jail on charges of conspiring to break US immigration laws, appears in court in Charlotte north Carolina, today. The 35-court indictment says that he and seven of his followers made false statements to immigration officers and harboured aliens illegally by means of fake marriages.

The guru and six followers were taken from two chartered jets which landed in Charlotte after a flight from Oregon, where the Rajnessh commune was founded four years ago.

The authorities said that the Bhagwan was trying to leave the country for Bermuda.

Ma Anand Sheela, a former associate of the Bhagwan, was arrested in West Germany. She left the commune last month after her close relationship with its leader ended acrimoniously. In Oregon she has been charged with attempted murder. She is also one of those named in the indictment, accused of conspiracy to break immigration laws.

● TV interview: Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh said in a television interview from the prison in Charlotte, North Carolina, that he wanted to leave America, and that he plans to take his Oregon commune with him back to India (AP reports from Rajnesshpuram, Oregan).

Ma Prem Hasya, the guru's personal secretary, and one of his lawyers at a press conference in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Lack of volunteers for Chinese Army forces conscription

Peking (Reuter) – China has started conscription to its 4 million-strong armed forces, ending the tradition of a volunteer People's Liberation Army.

Western diplomats said the Chinese Army was finding it more difficult to attract young men because of greater opportunities in civilian life created by economic reforms instituted since 1979.

The New China news agency said new conscription regulations has been promulgated, under which all males aged between 18 and 22 could be called up.

Each of China's districts will have to provide an annual quota of recruits unless the area is particularly poor, the agency said.

"Those eligible for military service who refuse or dodge registration or enlistment will be compelled to perform military service," the agency said.

One Western diplomat, commenting on the move, said: "There is no doubt the prestige of the military in Chinese society has dropped considerably in recent years.

"It is no longer as attractive a career as it used to be. There are better prospects doing normal work, especially for peasants now that rural areas are more prosperous."

China's armed forces are due to shed about 1 million of an estimated 4.2 million personnel in the next two years, but new recruits are still needed annually.

Until the late 1970s, the Army had no trouble finding volunteers. The Army was seen as a way out of the countryside as demobbed soldiers were often assigned to jobs in the cities. But that ceased in the early 1980s, and soldiers ending the three or four-year service now have to return to their home areas.

Peasant families, whose earnings are now directly linked to work output, are reluctant to lose their sons to the Army for several years, and the authorities have had to resort to propoganda campaigns to match recruitment drives.

Laser gun: Two of China's younger generation of leaders, Communist Party Politburo member Hu Qili and Secretariat official Wang Zhaoguo, saw the Army's new laser training gun yesterday in military exercises outside Peking, the state-run telvision news reported (according to AP).

Mr Hu, aged 56, tipped as the next party General Secretary, and Mr Wang, aged 44, a former car plant manager promoted after he impressed Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping, were sepcial guests at a simulated battle in the Yanshan mountains of Hebei province.

Kaunda son facing drug charge

Lusaka (AFP) – A son of President Kaunda of Zambia and several top government official are among 24 people charged here in connection with widespread smuggling of the illegal barbiturate drug Mandrax.

Among those charged, in a case which opened on October 21, are Mr Kaunda's eldest son Panji, the chairman of the Zambian subsidiary of the Lonrho mining conglomerate, Mr Tom Mtine, and Mr Reuben Kamanga, a high-ranking member of the ruling United National Independence Party.

A former Foreign Minister, Mr Vernon Mwanga, now a prominent businessman, has also been charged.

A statement implicating the four men was read to the tribunal by Mr Emmanuel Tembo, another of the accused.

Mr Tembo's counsel said his client had been led to make the court statement after being guaranteed release from detention if he "made a favourable statement".

In his statement, Mr Tembo said that "Vernon Nwanga imports crates of Mandrax in 200,000 or 300,000 consignments of tablets, and then declares them as cargo or spare parts". He "then forgets about importing for another two or three months, before ordering another consignment".

The tribunal, chaired by Mr Justice Matthew Chaila, is to sit for three weeks.

Protests by Spanish fruit farmers

From Richard Wigg
Madrid

Spain's citrus fruits industry, one of the country's key export sectors, is in open revolt over concessions which it considers that Madrid had made under pressure from the EEC. Spain's entry into the Community is only two months away.

The deal hammered out by the Foreign Ministers of the Ten and Spain last weekend in Luxembourg on competing exports from North Africa of tomatoes, oranges and lemons went too far, according to Señor Leopoldo Ortiz, director of the Spanish citrus fruit exporters' organization in Valencia. It would mean, he said, that Spain would never be better treated than some non-member, third countries.

Señor José Guevas, president of the Spanish equivalent of the Confederation of British Industry, agreed, arguing that the principle of Community preference had itself been infringed.

Under a deal urged particularly by France, to protect its former colonies, Spanish citrus fruit exporters say they cannot now be sure of an advantage over Morocco in EEC markets, even after submitting to the initial four-year transition period.

"Entry is going to cost us massive losses and even more unemployment. We warned two years ago against entry at any price", said Señor Lorenzo Gascón, the Barcelona industrialist who chairs the Spanish employers' confederation committee on EEC affairs.

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Laurence Whistler's biography of his brother Rex, published today, has been forty years in the making: interview by Nicholas Shakespeare

A light that shines brightly still

It took 20 years after his first wife died of a tragic illness in 1944 before the poet and glass-engraver Laurence Whistler wrote his beautiful book *The Initials in the Heart*, in celebration of their life together. It has taken 40 for him to write the life of someone equally precious, his brother Rex, who died in battle three months earlier.

Had Rex Whistler been spared the mortar bomb which exploded under him in a battered Normandy woodland, he might have lived to exert an enormous influence – not as an experimentalist but as a standard-bearer of representational painting. "The most remarkable student the Slade has ever seen" was how Henry Tonks described him to later intakes. He was only 20 when he was commissioned to paint the Tate restaurant – a mural which has survived both flooding and gravy – and took for inspiration his childhood *memories of imagining himself into* the scenes on willow-pattern plates. In the brief span left him, he managed to complete 14 other murals – including *his masterpiece at Plas Newydd* – and several hundred drawings, book illustrations and canvases.

Some of these canvases line Laurence Whistler's drawing-room in Aston Barnes. They look down to the table where he stipples his glass, through the window to a squat Saxon church, and beyond to the ilex trees and chalk downs which in the still, blurring mist resemble a scene from his own engravings.

"Glass is an exasperating medium", he says of his work. He sits with a rosy face, hair like grey straw, and clasps his large hands tightly. "You can never rub out and everything depends on the light behind. The great advantage is that you can see through it to something else." Talking to this exact, diffident *man, there is a sense that the glow* which shines through Laurence Whistler is that of his elder brother.

"He was six years older than me. Far more talented, far more charming, a better man. I was very influenced by him. He was in a sense an art school. Though he would improve my designs he never took up the engraving tool. He said 'I couldn't' so as not to daunt me. Yet if he had tried he would have been better than me after half an hour." He pauses and then adds, unfairly to himself, "I suspect my poems were only published because he did the decorations for them".

Laurence Whistler's elegaic biography *has been a labour* of this love. "I can't say it's been difficult, but it's been slow. I had an absolute passion to get it right and it takes twice as long if you care. I inherited a lot of his work, a great many letters, and knew most of his friends. I didn't think anyone else could do it, but I understand *him* much better now than before I started – his work, his mercurial character, his experience of love."

Dod Miller

Laurence Whistler with his brother's Tate Gallery mural

Always in search of "the not impossible she", Rex Whistler was unhappy in love. "He was lovable but aloof, detached from the affection he aroused. He was immensely liked, but he fell for all the wrong girls." The book charts his unsatisfactory affairs with the actress Tallulah Bankhead and the society beauty Caroline Paget – part of the beau monde, or as he called it "lebohmord", in which he moved. It was not a world he had been born into in 1905 as the son of a builder on Chingford Green. But, dressed as a shepherd with Cecil Beaton or in pink breeches with Stephen Tennant, it was a world like his murals that offered him escape *from the gulf created by the First* World War.

"Despite his facility – a trap which led him into making easy effects because they were charming – he was a very serious artist. He thought humour and intense romanticism weren't mutually exclusive." If he invented wholeheartedly in a past style, the game he played with this past was a modern one. "The question of derivation becomes less and less important as time goes on. Blake owed much to Michelangelo. Kent even more to Palladio. Rex's compositions were basically Claude-like with a surface of his own. He was painting a world he would like to exist, partly English, partly Italian. In the end, looking at Plas Newydd or the Tate, you can't think it anything other than remarkable."

Laurence Whistler looks up to a small oil of his brother at his easel outside a barn. "He was thought to be a sudden star who leapt to prominence *with the Tate mural, but he* was a slow developer, the kind of person who would have gone on gradually changing." He takes the painting, his favourite, off the wall. "This is near Colchester at the time of the fall of France. There's a different, almost impressionist, feel to it, a tense feeling of a summer that might be his last. It was a great sadness – apart from the fact it would have saved his life – he never became a War Artist. Kenneth Clark thought him an airy-fairy decorator. He would have been good, though. He was adventurous and brave, and surviving the war would have given him a self-confidence."

What then would he have lived to do? Laurence Whistler loosens his fingers into arches before replying. "He would have had his niche in the modern world. His oils would have become more impressionistic. He would have broken away from the stranglehold of *trompe-l'oeil*."

And what would he have thought of this biography? Its author laughs at last. "I think he'd say I'd got a lot of it wrong, but whether he'd be right is another matter."

● *The Laughter and the Urn – The Life of Rex Whistler* by Laurence Whistler, Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £14.95.

Television

One for the boys

Machines rather than men dominated *Soldiers (BBC1)*, the documentary history of men in battle presented by Frederick *Forsyth*. This week's programme was devoted to the tank, and inevitably the armoured vehicles first conceived to gain superiority *in* trench warfare also achieved a screen victory over the officers and *men who operated them*.

Part of the difficulty was that soldiers in general are not vivid *communicators*. "The sight of the body which the flame-thrower had incinerated was particularly horrible", contributed a British tank *commander* flatly, while another soldier tried to evoke the dreadful smell of burning human flesh by mentioning that an overdone roast smelled similar.

As history the programme was confused and *lightweight*, advancing and retreating in time and bringing in the Vietnam War only to point out that tanks played very little part in it. There is an uncomfortable suspicion that Frederick *Forsyth* cost the *programme*-makers so much that they could not afford to use him for more than occasional links, while the *bulk of the narration* is spoken in other tones. What remain to appeal to the viewer in this muddled presentation are emotive shots of warfare *liable* to be of greatest interest only to small boys.

Failures, like Tolstoy's unhappy families, tend to have more *individual* fascination than the uniform drive of successful people. In **Two Lives** *(Channel 4)*, Carlo Gébler talked to Francis Stuart, the Irish writer who followed a period of extraordinary artistic fertility and *acclaim* in the Thirties with several decades of obscurity.

With T. P. McKenna reading from his works, Stuart looked back on the succession of events which had propelled his life on its erratic course. At first the story was all of endeavour – marriage to the daughter of the legendary *Maud* Gonne, a rural idyll of fast writing, prosperity and promise.

Stuart's *life* took a disastrous turn when he accepted a teaching post at Berlin University in 1939, and thereafter joined *P. G.* Wodehouse and Ezra Pound as a contributor to German Overseas Radio. While the last two writers survived the stigma of this treachery, Stuart – from neutral Ireland – did not, and reached 1945 without *passport* or support in the literary establishment. When asked why he worked for the Nazis, for whom he had *no political* sympathy, Stuart replied simply "I don't know". The viewer was left with a picture of genius flawed by internal *confusion*.

Celia Brayfield

London theatre

Vitality in intricate realism

Camille

Comedy

To spectators expecting a tough feminist reworking of a nineteenth-century romance, Pam Gems's *Camille* came as a marvellous surprise when it appeared at the RSC's Stratford studio last year.

It was indeed a counter-play to *La Dame aux camelias*; exposing the brutal economics *that Dumas delicately omitted*, showing successful prostitution to be by no means such a bad life compared with the alternatives, *and reconstructing the* plot so as to reveal Marguerite's total captivity in a man-made society. The play's cruellest stroke is to give her a child by Armand's father, and show him breaking up the love affair not by any appeal to her finer feelings but by threatening to have her declared an unfit parent and separated from her son.

The motto of the piece has a Brechtian ring: "A woman in her position can't afford to like a man". And for that very reason, when she defies this rule and quits Paris with Armand, in a relationship based on respect *and friendship no less than* sexual passion, the love story revives with an emotional power that seizes you by the throat.

Much of the play's vitality depends on its intricately *realistic brothel* scenes; where the clients and girls dance and converse as if on equal terms with the house pianist flooding the shadowy *salon with Liszt* and Chopin. But this delicate bubble world is extremely fragile, liable to be interrupted by angry creditors.

And, when the clients depart, the exquisite Marguerite herself *returns in déshabillé to hurl* abuse at a thieving servant and claw her down to the floor.

As its best, Ron Daniels's production conveys the pleasures and penalties of her life with the speed of thought. "My *lovely things*", *she says, looking* around the empty room; "how happy I am." Then a cigar glows in the shadows.

The effect of removing the production from the floor of The Other Place to a West End *proscenium has been partly to* re-romanticize the story. Much more evident than before is the stylistic division between the brothel scenes, with their rich comic supporting action and stoical acceptance of things as they are, and Marguerite's wordy set-piece duets with Armand and his father.

What remains as emotionally *truthful and spell-binding* as ever is Frances Barber's Marguerite, who carries equal conviction as an irresistible courtesan, a girl who hauled herself out of brutalized destitution, and a figure combining courage and fastidious self-knowledge; and whose performance is without a single sentimental note. She is demonically *partnered* by Nicholas Farrell, an Armand whose attachment to her is his only refuge from self-hatred.

Among the fine supporting company, look out for the comic counterpart to the central relationship in the bewitching duet of Charles Millham and Rowena Roberts.

Irving Wardle

Donald Cooper

Emotionally spell-binding: Frances Barber, Nicholas Farrell

Masque

Magical simplicity

Acis and Galatea

Banqueting House, Whitehall

The English Bach Festival team gave themselves several advantages over those who played two Stuart masques in the same place last weekend in their production of the 1718 version *of Handel's masque* (as it was described in most contemporary sources) *Acis and Galatea*.

They clothed everyone – players included, as is their wont – in the garb of the period. Then they employed an imaginative producer, Paul Hernon, who among other things manages the final transformation scene with magical simplicity, and a choreographer, Sarah Cremer, who introduces a welcome fluidity to the still elegant dance. And they have tested their staging in Italy and Spain, so that it comes to London as a slick and thoroughly professional piece of theatre.

The results, without even so much as a backcloth, are as compelling and moving as Handel's rich yet subtly characterized score (another advan*tage over the Stuarts*) deserves. Robert Aldwinckle directs a tightly-knit performance that *has the EBF* Dancers *playing* just as important a part in conveying the emotions of the protagonists as the music does.

Never, though, do the movements seem too stylized; indeed the producer even pokes fun for a moment at stilted "authentic" baroque gesture when Damon manipulates Polyphemus's fingers into the right positions as he *attempts* to induce a degree of sensitivity into the monster's wooing.

The singing is excellent. Peter *Jeffes*, as *Acis*, plays his role with gentle yet purposeful ardour, with a good, clear sound at the top of his register, while Polyphemus – *made* up and attired with stunning grotesqueness – is wholly appositely assigned to the booming, resonant tones of John Rath. Michael Goldthorpe's Damon is a trifle thin, perhaps, and lacks a degree *of pastoral* gentleness. But the radiant voice of Marie Angel, clear as a bell yet with plenty of emotion behind it, is well-nigh perfect for the part of Galatea, as her final aria, "Heart, the seat of soft delight", amply demonstrated. One or two tiny mishaps apart, the small orchestra played excellently.

Stephen Pettitt

Concerts

John White

St John's

Maybe one is bound to develop a worm's-ear view of music if *one spends one's formative* years playing the tuba, and maybe it is some incentive to cultivate an esoteric personality *if* one has so blank a name as "John White". Of course there are also more sophisticated explanations for the way White's music is, but they never seem adequate to the task.

White's simplicity opens up a great conceptual hole into which one shovels approaches and arguments, and gets nowhere. It might be easier just to label his work as boring, naive, *ironic or humorous*, and no doubt it is all of these in some measure. But he also goes about his business with a seriousness that is bound to suggest a labyrinth of double and probably quadruple bluffing behind the cool facade.

Perhaps the only thing about White that is at all plausible is his admiration for Satie, and accommodatingly he opened Tuesday night's concert by playing four severe and very similar rock-like studies in fake medievalism, the *Ogives* of 1886. After that there was an endless piece of trash of which I missed the name (most of the titles were announced by the soft-spoken White himself, which at least gave one some reason for feeling one was gently losing one's mental grip on the world).

The first half ended with pieces by White and two musicians who have been closely associated with him. Dave Smith's *A Gay Romp* sounded like Korngold having a nightmare about the Brahms Horn Trio; Gavin Bryars's *My First Homage* was a long stretch of trickling minimalism for two pianists; and White's *The Oppo's Contained*, for tuba and piano, confirmed his tastes for the mindless and awful.

After the interval there was a selection of "Garden Furniture Music" for various selections from the appalling instrumentation available: tenor horn, tuba, viola and piano. Then we went electronic with new digital pieces of doodling by White and Ben Mason. After the recent IRCAM invasion of the same *hall, this homespun music*-making had something refreshing about it. Boulez, though, is so much easier to understand.

Paul Griffiths

Eschenbach/Frantz

Queen Elizabeth Hall

Brahms's two-piano Sonata in F minor, Op 34b, is of course much more familiar as the F minor Piano Quintet, Op 34, so *that listening to the earlier* version presents the problem of getting the sound of one of Brahms's greatest chamber works out of one's head. *Having* duly made a sustained attempt to do so, I still feel that the loss in this medium is much greater than the gain. Perhaps it is something to do with the exceptional fullness of two-piano sound, which seems to obscure Brahms's instinctively contrapuntal thinking, so that the outer movements lose direction: the sharp interplay in *the Scherzo similarly* loses its edge.

None of this was in any way the fault of a highly intelligent performance, *both players tak*ing care to see that any potentially turgid passages never lost clarity: Christoph Eschenbach in particular was having a lovely time conjuring cello- and viola-like sonorities from his piano's middle register. The more straightforwardly lyrical Andante naturally loses out much less in this combination, taking on a late-Schubertian tenderness *and* limpidity which drew some most sensitive playing: Justus Frantz beautifully delineated *the long singing phrases of the* opening paragraph.

Schubert in fact featured in the first half, mainly in the form of his F minor Fantasy for piano duet, which was given a performance to savour. Eschenbach found some magically delicate sounds in the treble part, the very opening bars providing a lovely example of his skills: Schubert's wistful *melody was phrased* so simply and accurately that it was as if you had never quite heard it clearly before. The much more *involved writing in the Scherzo* and Finale was again executed with exemplary lucidity, and even two of Schubert's little Marches for piano duet emerged in fresh, new colours.

Eschenbach's and Frantz's account of Mozart's two-piano Sonata in D, K448, was less than idiomatic, due mainly to some over-generous pedalling, *but undeniably* attractive on its own terms, with both players gently relishing the enchanting duet-like dialogue in the Andante.

Malcolm Hayes

Regional theatre

Macbeth

Haymarket, Leicester

Next summer *Macbeth* will be a set book at O-level in the Midlands, and the People Show has obligingly whipped up an easily digestible production, with no surprises and precious little excitement.

The younger element of the *first* night audience were well served in terms of textual fidelity, but can have gleaned little insight into the play's *psychological development, and* the way that some of the company deliver their lines suggests they may have difficulties of their own in this regard.

The chief offender is Bernard Hill who, while looking robustly Jacobean in beard and ringlets, fails to make Macbeth's speeches come alive. No other role in the canon is perhaps so fraught with phrases that live on *in* common parlance: it is the signal duty of every stage Macbeth to put them back into context; Mr Hill seems too intent on mere recital to think his way through the part – *this* is what convinces the young that Shakespeare is a bore.

The eccentricity of the casting continues with Julie Walters, who gives a stiff, doll-like *account of the character who* should be the prime mover of the action: if Lady Macbeth is not compellingly evil, then how *can the thing work at all?*

It is left to two of the company to show how to do it: Martin Friend doubling as Duncan and the Doctor, and Jane Gurnett as an excellent Lady Macduff. She also appears as one of the weird sisters who emerge wheeling a pram to the sound of a disco beat. Nancy Meckler's production has a golden spiral *staircase* for Dunsinane, fir trees descending from the flies for Birnham Wood, even a glitterball for the *banqueting* scenes. All is but toys, indeed.

Martin Cropper

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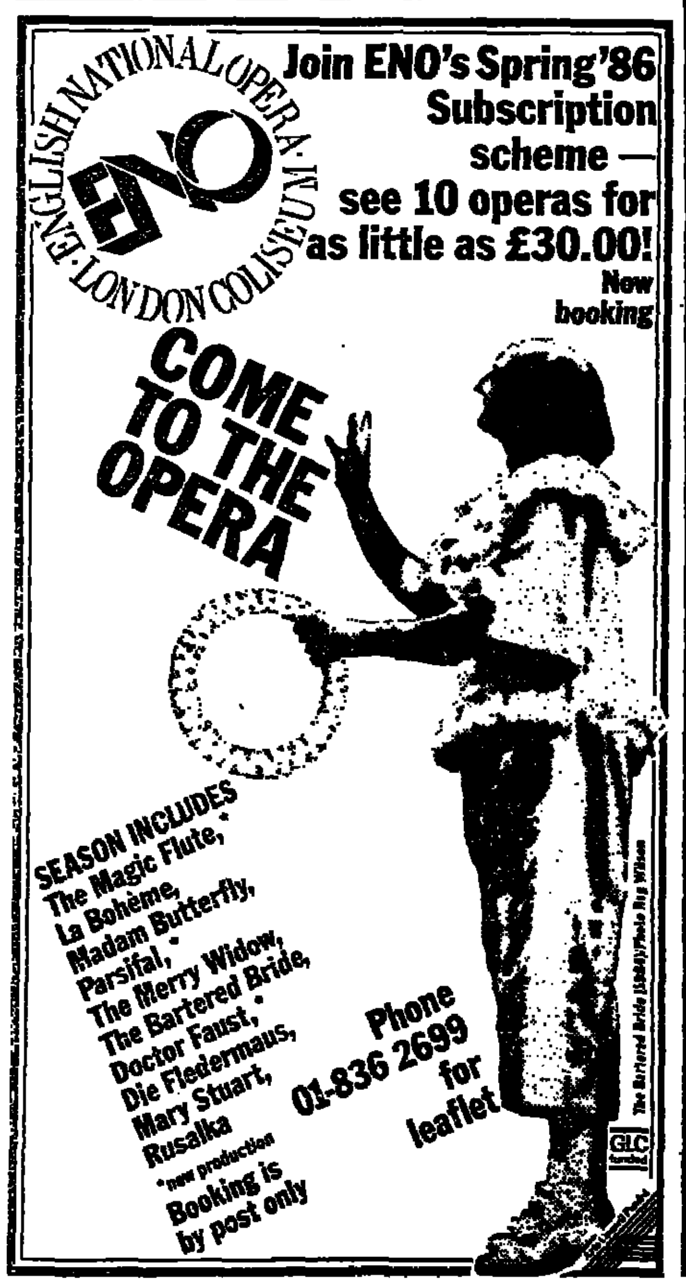

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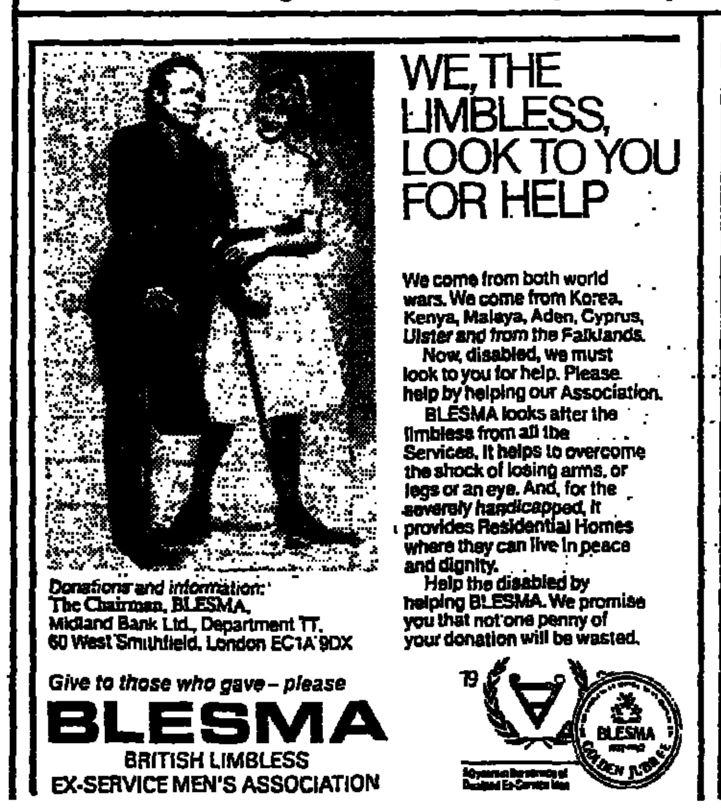

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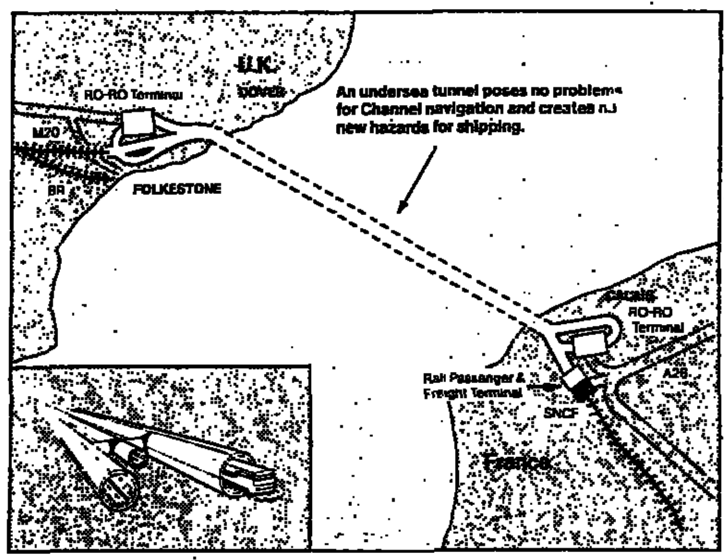

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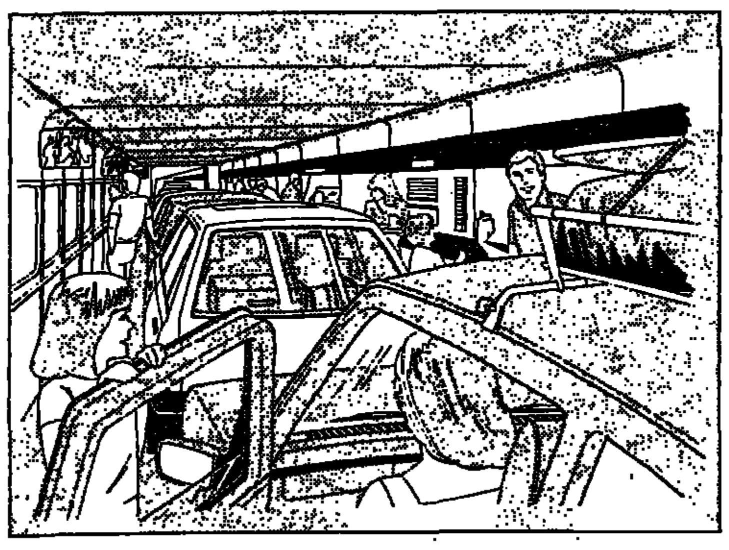

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The classroom agitator

The Times Profile: Fred Jarvis

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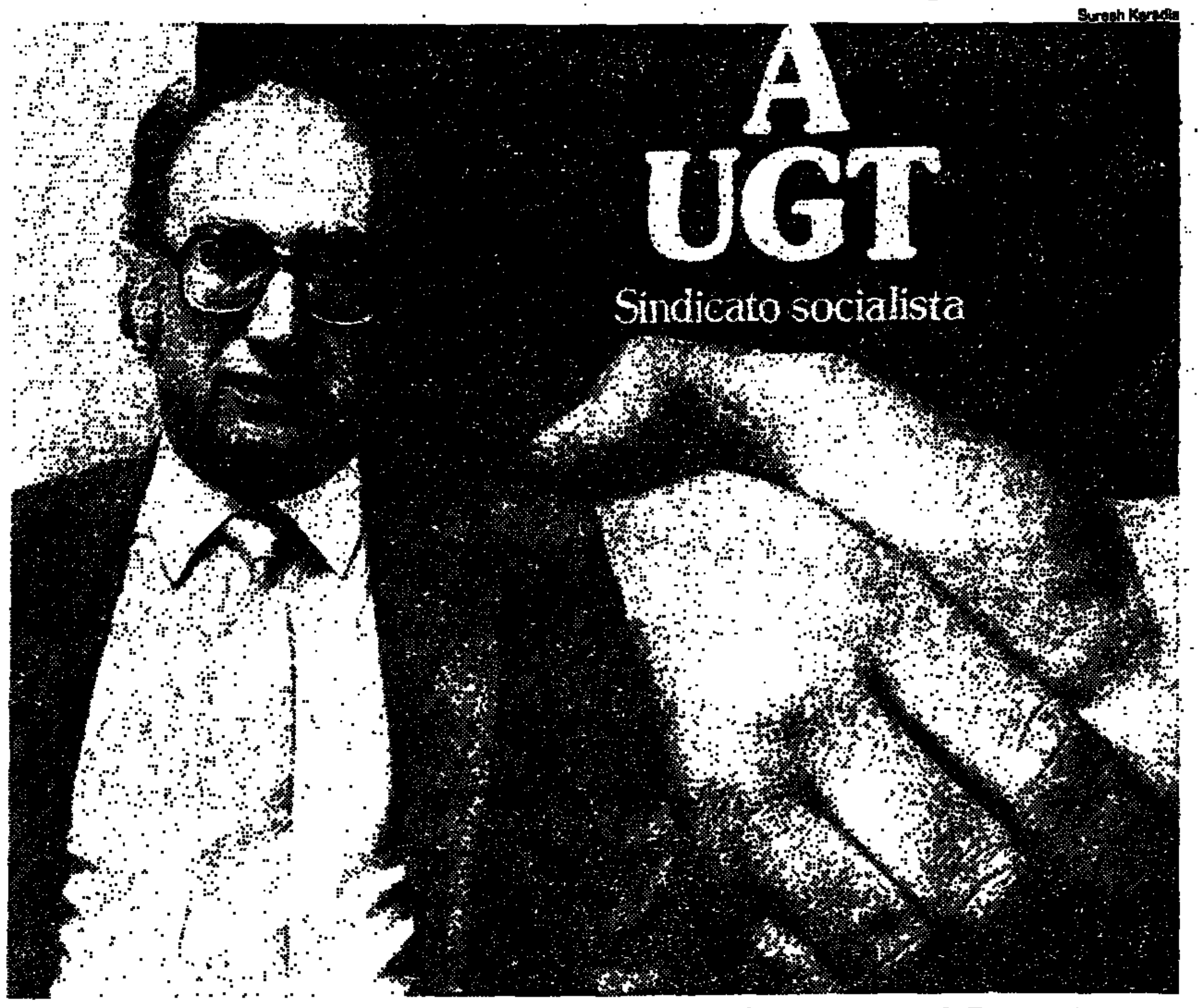

Continental touch: Fred Jarvis, teachers' leader and negotiator, with a reminder of his European links

BIOGRAPHY

1924 Born in the East End of London, son of screensman in a flour-mill.
1929-40 Attended Russell Road Elementary School and Plaistow Secondary School.
1941 Moved to Wallasey and began work as a clerk in the Wallasey education department.
1943 Joined the Army, later helping to *educate post-war German youth.*
1947 Went to Liverpool University and gained a distinction in social administration.

Jarvis as an undergraduate

1949 Went up to St Catherine's College, Oxford, to read for a degree in PPE.
1951 Fought Wallasey for Labour.
1952 Gained a II (1) degree in PPE and won a research fellowship at Oxford.
1952-54 President of the National Union of Students.
1955 Joined the National Union of Teachers.
1970 Made *deputy general secretary* of the NUT.
1975 Elected to the NUT's general secretaryship.

Thirty-five years ago the Oxford University student newspaper ran a profile of an undergraduate named Fred Jarvis under the heading "Isis Idol". Accompanying it was a picture of an earnest young man with a *prominent nose, lots of wavy hair and* spectacles.

The article commented that of all the embryonic VIPs at Oxford in 1950, Fred Jarvis was certainly one of the least well known. He might even be labelled dull, it said. "For Fred wears his personality not as a fancy waistcoat, but as his ordinary working clothes, and to those who think that what he has done is dull, he would be dull as well. But *thinking* that, they would be wrong".

Many other observations in the piece could be applied today to the sexagenerian who leads the biggest teachers' union, the National Union of Teachers. Although much of the hair has gone and the features are thicker, Fred Jarvis remains the immensely amiable and hard-working political agitator that he was in his student days.

Where he once led the students, he now leads the teachers in the longest and most serious teachers' strike in *the history of English and Welsh* schools. Indeed the nine-month-old teachers' strike could be seen as the crowning glory of a lifetime's work in the trade union movement. "Fred's last hurrah", was how one colleague described it.

Jarvis, himself, denies that the dispute is his swansong by pointing out that at the age of 61 he still has four years to go as general secretary of the NUT. Next year he is to take over the chairmanship of the TUC so he will certainly endure his gout and incipient high blood pressure until he has completed that task.

Looking back, the life of Fred Jarvis appears like a seamless robe, his commitment to middle-of-the-road Labour Party socialism feeding his trade unionism and vice versa. In the 1960s he was clearly in his element, lobbying journalists and politicians for changes in the education system and organizing conferences on the influences of the mass media on popular culture.

Jarvis was no slouch. He knew how to get things done and he beavered away night and day to put his ideas *into effect. His origins, as one might* expect, were humble. Born to cockney parents in West Ham, he was forced to leave school at 16 through lack of funds and got *a job in local* government in Wallasey.

His crusading spirit found an outlet in the Progressive Youth Movement and in local politics, and was further nurtured when he joined the Army. He went over to Normandy on D-Day-plus-4 and spent the first two years of peace-time as a sergeant in the British military government of Schleswig-Holstein. There he began *the re-education of German youth by* forming clubs and running discussions.

On his return to Britain he secured a *place* as a mature student at Liverpool University to do a diploma in social administration and postponed a scholarship he had won to *Ruskin College, Oxford. But, because* he achieved a distinction in his course, he was advised to try to get into Oxford to study for a degree. He was accepted and, within the space of two months, was at St Catherine's reading Philosophy, Politics and Economics.

While at Oxford, Jarvis continued his spectacular rise in the National Union of Students: he was already on the national executive and rose to become vice-president of that organization. It was at Oxford that he met his wife, Anne, who was chairman of the *Young Socialists, and remains to this* day politically to the left of her husband. They have two grown-up children.

An important turning point in his life was becoming president *of the NUS. This made* him a public figure overnight and tested his nascent powers of organizing and politicking. He turned a ramshackle organization allied to the Communist-front International Union of Students into a streamlined pro-western outfit which produced research and did the first serious work on student grants.

Much of his time was taken up with *internal wranglings but he came to* public notice through his defence of Sheila Davis, a teacher-training student at Bangor who was sent down for criticizing the college's disciplinary regulations. Jarvis got her reinstated after a loud campaign, and it was this which brought him to the *attention* of Ronald Gould, then the NUT's general secretary.

Jarvis never looked back. Invited to take over the NUT's publicity, he gave up his attempt to become Labour MP for Wallasey and threw himself into building up the NUT's influence.

In 1970 Jarvis became deputy general secretary of the union after failing to get the top job. His total lack of teaching experience and anti-left stance counted against him and he almost did not get the post of general secretary five years later. He was *rejected in the first round but, in the* end, the union settled for Jarvis by a majority of two votes.

As NUT general secretary, Jarvis has also been leader of the teachers' panel of the Burnham pay negotiating committee by virtue of the union's majority. Tomorrow the union is set to lose that overall majority because of dwindling membership figures in the country at large. This will mean *the NUT will no longer be automatically* in control of teacher tactics in the dispute and that a settlement may even be in the offing. Fred Jarvis is thought *likely* to hold on to *his* leadership position and will justifiably be able to claim much of the credit for pushing up the pay offer from 4 per cent to its current 6.9 per cent.

With his old-fashioned views, he is perhaps a surprising character to be in charge of the biggest teachers' pay dispute in history. At the start of the strikes and work-to-rule in February and throughout the early summer, he seemed *distinctly ill-at-ease.*

The unease may have had something to do with the jockeying for position between himself and Doug McAvoy, his deputy, who led the NUT while Jarvis nursed a broken leg last year. McAvoy has been regarded as one of the hard men behind the *current teacher militancy. He is canny* and highly articulate, a schemer where Jarvis is a bureaucrat.

When the dispute started the gossip was that Jarvis was not in charge nor, indeed, happy with what was going on, and that the real power lay with others – *McAvoy. Don Winters, the treasurer,* and Malcolm Horne, a member of the executive from Brent. Jarvis was undoubtedly aware of the whisper*ings. He now appears to be more* assured and to be positively enjoying his new-found role as a hawk.

Asked about this, Jarvis gives a small smile and says: "We have all been heartened by the enormous response from the members." He is *referring not only to the results of* strike ballots but also to the response at public meetings round the country.

The current bitter dispute has accentuated Jarvis's aggressive side. Like Arthur Scargill, he has been waging a campaign rather than trying *to settle a normal pay claim and, as* with the miners, the main enemy has been the Government.

His interminable harangues of the local authority employers in the Burnham negotiating committee are legendary and are sometimes carried *over into his briefings with the press.* For all his kindliness, his prickly nature often gets the better of him and accidentally offends his potential *friends more than his enemies.*

Fred Smithies, Jarvis's arch rival as general secretary of the second biggest teachers' union, the National Associ*ation of Schoolmasters/Union* of Women Teachers, testified to Jarvis's essential decency but says he has a talent for upsetting people, particularly on the Continent where Jarvis has been active since his student days.

There was an almighty row last year over who should be president of the European Trade Union Committee for Education. Jarvis thought it was his turn but his continental teacher *colleagues believed otherwise.* "There was a bloody great row and it was resolved after 12 months of squabbling and falling out", says Smithies. *Jarvis lost the fight* but is to be the next president of this august body.

Another silly incident occurred in the summer when Smithies emerged from teachers' pay talks and began interviews with the press before Jarvis could get his version across. This incensed Jarvis who stormed across the street towards the television cameras and berated the press for listening to "lies and rubbish". Smithies comments: "He would cheerfully have strangled me."

But behind the temper and bluster lies a shrewd operator with sure political instincts. Although Jarvis rejects comparisons with Scargill on the grounds that the teachers are not the miners and the NUT not the NUM, he agrees that both have been up against the Government. The question is: will Jarvis succeed where Scargill failed?

Lucy Hodges

Playing for keeps in the diplomatic marbles game

The Elgin marbles dispute highlights a wider threat to the world's museums.

George Hill reports

Colin Curwood

Closely guarded: The Elgin marbles on show at the British Museum in London and (right) the Acropolis, their former home

Consider now the right thigh of the god Hermes. The thigh, which an untrained eye might easily dismiss as a lump of marble moulded by nature and not by man, is in Athens. Hermes, or the main surviving bulk of him, is 1,000 miles away in London, in an attitude of clearly inferred intense excitement, even though he has only the stumps of his limbs left.

Once upon a time he stood among a crowd of deities in the noblest gable-end that ever existed, the pediment of the Parthenon in Athens. Obviously both Hermes and his thigh *would benefit if they could be* reunited and visitors to the British Museum in London can now see the effect of the *reunion. For there is a full-sized* cast to show them, in an exhibition impeccably mounted by the Greek National Acropolis Committee, displaying the damage which has been done to the most precious complex of ancient buildings in Europe and *what is being done to restore* and protect them.

Tacitly but effectively, the exhibition shows that it is no *longer tenable – it has not been* for many years – to pretend that the Greeks are not competent to take good care of Hermes and the other carvings which Lord Elgin removed from the Parthenon in the first years of the 19th century.

With specimens, models, computer print-outs and drawings reverently recording every last blemish in the marble, it shows how *the Acropolis* has been damaged by neglect, barbarism and misconceived care and how scattered stones are being identified and restored to their places and fragile sections fortified by new technologies.

Equally tacitly, the show demonstrates that casts, with their dull and powdery surface, can never match the sparkle and vivacity of the actual marble. Visitors are left to draw their *own conclusions. The attrac*tions of reuniting such shattered figures are obvious. But even so straightforward a transplant could not be accomplished without political and cultural controversy. Should the knee *join Hermes? The Greeks would* never dream of giving it up. Should Hermes join his knee, disappearing from the poignant remnant of the pedimental group as it now stands in London? No division of the Parthenon carvings is satisfactory, but any transfer en bloc would destabilize the entire pattern of ownership of major art treasures.

Yesterday Britain sent an official letter to Unesco, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, which had demanded a reply to the claim made by the Greek government a year ago for the restitution of the *marbles.*

The British Government is treating the matter with unconcern. The details of the reply are not yet known, but the best Unesco can hope for is a polite brush-off. The Greeks insist *that it is just coincidence that its* exhibition here has arrived at the same time as the deadline for the British response.

Why Hermes may never see his right knee again

Although some suppose Unesco asserts a right to *arbitrate,* and send in the bailiffs to the British Museum in the last resort, the organization claims no role beyond that of using its good offices to ease the way to an agreement.

After years of splenetic and often shameless claims and counter-claims, the subtle testimony of the British Museum exhibition marks a welcome *departure from the strident* approach, in which the sculptures have often seemed little more than trophies of chauvinism.

The truth is that most of the arguments about Lord Elgin's action are so much water under the bridge. His behaviour was opportunist and high-handed by modern standards, but it was defensible in the context of the time, when classical remains were being destroyed at an alarming rate. If the state of the sculptures taken is compared with those left behind, it is *undeniable that the enterprise* has served to protect them.

The consideration which *dominates* the debate today is not history, or the issues of competence and accessibility – where there is hardly anything to choose between London and Athens. The problem is precedent. The Elgin marbles symbolize a grievance felt in many countries towards acquisitions made by the West when it was strong and they were weak. This *is at once the strength and* weakness of the Greek claim. It is the source of their support in Unesco and of the determined resistance by the museum authorities to parting with so much as a marble thigh or *elbow.*

Many other countries could mount claims for restitution on the same basis. If national sentiment is given a precedent over legal title in deciding who should own major works, the *great museums* of the world would be under threat of progressive erosion.

Fully aware of this, the Greeks insist that the Parthenon has a distinctive significance for them and for the world, and that nothing else can claim to be in the same category. But that is not something for them to say. Other nations and other generations may have other *ideas*, and the wholesale return of the Elgin marbles would inevitably reshape those ideas. Any attempt to limit the process, for instance by having a *limited list of items of exceptional* significance drawn up – say by Unesco – could not be anything but provisional.

It may be that a century hence the concept of the comprehensive world museum *may have* fallen into disfavour.

In the meantime it is only natural for the Greeks to use all fair means to wring the post-imperialistic conscience of the British. It is equally natural for those to whom the great museums embody the concept of world heritage to resist to the last.

For the transfer could not fail to start a process which might leave them, like the temples of the Acropolis, victim of a new *international "scramble for* relics" hardly less competitive, mercenary and chauvinist than that of the 1800s.

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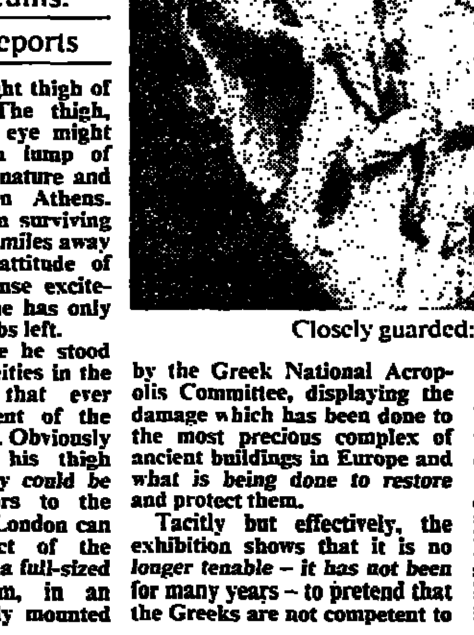

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Channel crossings

The MORI poll figures on Continental travel (Findings, October 24) applied to the adult population of Britain, not just those who had crossed the Channel as stated, and included those who had used both air and sea.

Tiresome women, transatlantic tales

FICTION

Isabel Raphael

MEN AND ANGELS
By Mary Gordon
Cape, £8.95

NOT WANTED ON THE VOYAGE
By Timothy Findley
Macmillan, £9.95

A Gordon on love

If you continue with the quotation about men and angels, you come, in the *Authorized Version*, to charity, and in the modern one, to love. Love is *the theme* of Mary Gordon's novel, and I was disconcerted to realize how quickly I found myself out of charity with this irreproachable subject.

Anne Foster, wife of an American academic *and mother* of two young children, faces the classic female dilemma: should she pursue a career that will lead to self-fulfilment, or should she continue to seek fulfilment through the lives of others? Being one of those people who is tiresomely passionate about everything, Anne expects to find love everywhere, and to bestow it: and the fact that she cannot warm to a thoroughly unattractive woman who cordi*ally dislikes* her is enough to throw her into paroxysms of self-indulgent guilt. But worse is to come, in the person of Laura Post who arrives, *through* the good offices of Anne's enemy, to look after the children so that Anne can be free to research into the life of a woman Impressionist painter who – guess what? – abandoned her child for art's sake.

Laura, who has failed to find love in humans, has turned to love of God, in whose service she has made herself "wise as serpents and innocent as doves." Ugly, gauche, and obsessive, she nevertheless creates the domestic order and stability that Anne requires, waiting for the moment when she can reveal herself as the *chosen of the Lord and* be loved in turn. But Anne is unable to deal with her own feelings of repugnance and resentment, and cannot suffer long and be kind. Charity faileth, as so often in the real world, and tragedy follows. It is clear from the beginning that Laura is doomed: but such is Anne's conviction that *she* must be the pivotal point that even at the end she assumes a role for herself: "I did not love you. But I mourn you. *I can give you that.*" (My italics.)

It must be said that this book is beautifully crafted. The prose flows elegantly, and the characters, with the exception of the shadowy husband, are intently observed. But perhaps we are told too much; they are clothed in a wealth of *detail* that embalms instead of enlivening them, and the ultimate effect is *cloying. I am sure that Anne* is meant to be seen as an admirable person; I found it hard to stomach a heroine who is so clearly accustomed to having her cake and eating it.

Not Wanted on the Voyage retells the story of Noah and the Ark; that glorious allegory of man's triumph over the elements, of optimism in the face of despair. But do not be misled by happy childhood memories, by the jokey front cover or the faint half-smile from Timothy Findley on the back. This is a very angry book indeed. It deals with exploitation and devastation on a mighty scale, all in the name of God that man has created in his own flawed image. It tells of that same man's inhumanity to *man*, and more particularly to woman. It shows how lust for power destroys natural instincts and affections as surely as the *flood drowned the earth.*

Forget kindly Mr Noah sheltering his family and all those delightful animals: Dr Noah Noyes steals new-born kittens for lethal experiments. "Two by two" gives him the *perfect opportunity to exclude,* to condemn, to sacrifice the unwanted masses. Everyone in the end is his victim, in a world deliberately abandoned by a petulant Jehovah. Noah abuses and violates his family one by one, and not even Lucy, the fallen angel of indeterminate sex, can divert him from his relentless path. Only Mrs Noyes endures: *too sad and wise to be* taken in by a paper rainbow and a faked branch of *olive*. But then, she still has her cat for company...

A curious book, but one that repays perseverance. Timothy Findley takes a *long time* to make his point clear. The early pages *contain* some clumsy *humour* and a great deal of symbolism. But the writing remains surprisingly consistent – if that is a word that can be used to describe a style that selects incidents and images without regard to time, culture, or place – and after a slow start the *narrative gains urgency.* This could easily become a cult book, especially in its native Canada; taken with a pinch of salt, it is a stimulating, if at times irritating, *jeu d'esprit.*

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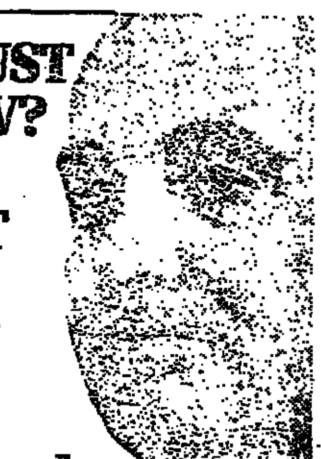

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The Poet as a youngish dog

James Fenton on the private writing of a chameleon in love with words

THE COLLECTED LETTERS OF DYLAN THOMAS
Edited by Paul Ferris
Dent, £20

There was once an Indian novelist called Mulk Raj Anand, who made a curry in Cornwall and invited all his neighbours. Dylan Thomas was one of them, and takes up the story. (The year is 1937.)

> *The first course was beans, little ones. I ate two and couldn't speak. A little man called Wallace B. Nichols, who has made a small fortune out of epic poems on people like Cromwell and Nelson and Mrs Elsie Guddy, took a whole mouthful and was assisted out. He writes for The Cornhill. After the main dish, which was so unbelievably hot that everyone, except the Indian, was crying like Shirley Temple, a woman, Mrs Henderson, looked down on to her plate and saw, lying at one corner of it, a curious rubbery thing that looked like a red, discarded French letter. In interest, she picked it up and found it was the entire skin from her tongue.*

This is Thomas the letter-writer at his best. The letter in question is addressed to a woman he had been in love with, Pamela Hansford Johnson, and with whom he was now on friendly terms. He was newly married to Caitlin Macnamara, and though poor was not yet troubled by debt and the obligations of a family. In fact he was glorying in his existence:

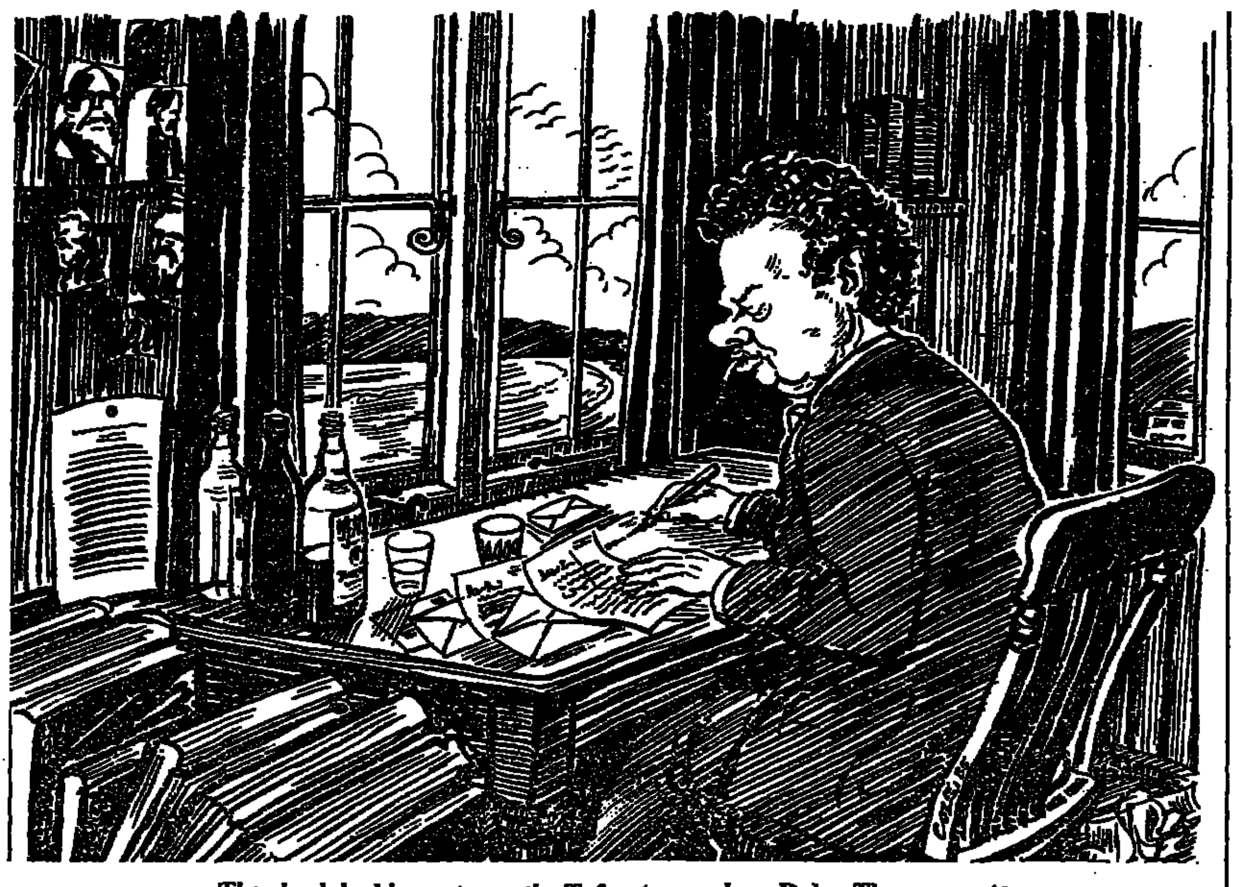
> *Caitlin can only cook one thing, and that is Irish bread which requires a special type of oven, unobtainable in England; she drinks a lot though, so we eat in the morning as we're too unsteady in the evening to open the tins.*

It is a happy style of comic writing, mixing authentic detail with an inspired kind of exaggeration or fantasy. It is a happy moment in Thomas's life. And there is another thing. The writing is disinterested. Thomas is well-known to his correspondent, and he isn't trying anything on.

(Having written this sentence, I thought I'd better just check that it was true, and I find to my dismay that the letter does in fact end with a request for a pound note; but Pamela Hansford Johnson had asked the couple what they would like as a wedding present, and this was the poet's answer. It seems forgivable.)

In the early part of this book, what strikes you is the enormous effort that the young man will put into his letter-writing and therefore, since his major correspondents are friends, into his friendships. Later on, when a letter rises above the average, there is nearly always a reason, and the reason is nearly always money. This does not make the later performances uninteresting – some of them are quite charming – but they *are* performances. It is noticeable that the one person from whom he could not possibly expect to cadge anything (because no doubt he had cadged it all already), namely Caitlin, receives very few letter of any interest at all. The love letters are of the kind that can be only of any interest to the lovers in question. The pleading letters after rows are simply painful versions of the same thing, inarticulate outpourings. The God-how-I-miss-you letters look sad beside the evidences of quite serious infidelity.

One can, of course get an exaggerated picture of a person's mendacity from a Collected Letters. People change their minds about people. I could well imagine having a low opinion about, say, Edith Sitwell, and then meeting her, and her being very kind, and then we strike up a sort of friendship even though she's not exactly my type. And this might look insincere if you'd seen what I'd written about her, behind her back, before I'd met her. Unfortunately in the case of Dylan Thomas this pattern repeats itself as a variation on the money theme. As a young man his position with regard to the literary world is fiercely adversarial. He mocks Eliot as the Pope, has no great respect for Auden, and is rude about Grigson. Then all of these do things for him, and the tone has to change. Grigson requests poems for publication in *New Verse*. Auden offers to recommend him to a publisher. Eliot gives him a reference for the Royal Literary Fund. By now the *enfant terrible* has learned to live off his adversaries.



The shack looking out over the Taf estuary where Dylan Thomas wrote

The lack of respect for Auden is I think quite interesting, for it is bound up with the way we perceive Thomas as a poet. We tend, unreflectingly, to associate him with the 1940s rather than the Poets of the Thirties, even though of the 160-odd poems that he wrote, 130 belong to the Thirties. But Thomas was very young and very ambitious when he decided that admiration for Auden would not get him very far. So he never really wrote like a typical Thirties poet. In consequence, when the tide of fashion turned against the absent Auden during the Second World War, and people made various attempts at replacing the Lost Leader, Thomas might seem to be the latest, or the next, thing.

Literary history is full of false perspectives of this kind. Another distortion, in my view, is the idea that Thomas's powers were failing him at the time of his death in 1953. I can quite see that Thomas might have *thought* that his powers were failing him, or that he might have said that they were, in order to elicit sympathy.

Most poets fear that the last poem they have written will turn out to have been their last poem, and nobody likes long gaps. There are only six poems written after 1945, but one of these is "Do not go gentle into that good night" (1951). And then came *Under Milk Wood*, on which he had been working for many years and which he completed in the year of his death.

Thomas's powers weren't failing him. He was at the height of his powers, but he was also in a node. Deadlines and tax problems were dogging him. His relationship with Caitlin had reached that terrible state where they could neither separate nor live together happily. People do sometimes get through these nodes, however. But he drank himself to death? Again, it's more complicated than that. He had been injected with half a grain of morphine to relieve the symptoms of alcohol, and this, according to Paul Ferris, amounted to an overdose. So there was, at least, an element of accident in the whole business, or of inadvertence.

The point to remember, simply, is that whereas the best letters tend to come in the first half of this collected volume, the best poems are hunched towards the end of the collected poems. There are many ways of dissipating your energies and your talent. Thomas seems to have tried most of them, but the talent, obstinately, remained.

Paul Ferris's edition is clearly edited, although there might have been just a bit more meat in the notes. To take the story with which I began, we are told who Mulk Raj Anand is, and we are told that Wallace B. Nichols is a novelist and poet. But who is Mrs Elsia Guddy, and did Wallace B. Nicols actually write an epic poem about her? I know my leg is being pulled, but I would like to be sure just how much it is being pulled. Perhaps Wallace B. Nichols himself will write and tell me. The notes imply that he is still going strong at 96.

Thruster from an unsettled society

James Lees-Milne

THE LETTERS OF ANN FLEMING
Edited by Mark Amory
Collins Harvill, £15

The letters begin in 1946 when the war was just over and Ann (not yet Fleming) was 33. They continued until her death in 1981 at the age of 68. A glance at the list of *Principal Dates* might suggest that she was an unhappy woman. But in spite of the catalogue of misfortunes and even tragedies that punctuated her life this was probably not the case. She was too great an enjoyer of the moment, and her feelings were not very profound.

Although she inspired deep affection in her friends, she did not leave her husbands and lovers exactly content. She liked the limelight, and she loved entertaining. She was a benign hostess, far from insensitive, even when ruthless. She was intuitive, clever, sharp, and resilient.

I did not know her well, yet probably longer than the majority of her surviving friends. We met on the hunting field when she was about 12 and I 17. Whereas I was obliged by an enthusiastic father to hunt, Ann, who came from a household that by no stretch of the imagination could be called horsy – Lady Wemyss was the Queen of the Souls – presumably obliged them to let her hunt. I recall a slight, pale little girl with determined coal black eyes on a wickedly ill-behaved pony which she did not coax but by sheer mastery made do what she wanted. This was to jostle and trample a way through the field, and cause hideous confusion among the hounds. She was already what in hunting circles is termed a thruster.

Fleming was undoubtedly the principal love of her life; even so this love did not long escape the rocks. Within four years each was having an affair with somebody else. Fleming was a moody and ill-tempered man. Ann did not care for living months on end at Goldeneye, the house he had built for himself in Jamaica. She pined for England and her friends. No. 16 Victoria Square and then Sevenhampton, near Swindon, witnessed the most lavish period of her entertaining. It was Sevenhampton and the country that won her exclusive allegiance in the end. There at weekends assembled the intellectuals and politicians. The latter, in spite of Ann's Toryism, seemed to be mostly prominent members of the Labour Party.

Mark Amory compares her at her table to a conductor without a score. But my recollection is of a conductor who tried to urge the orchestra to perform a little too hard. Her baton was too alert, her beady eyes were too roving, her manner too professional to make for absolute ease of conversation. Her addiction to society was not shared by any of her three husbands, all of whom complained of the aesthetes who hung around her. As late as 1950 Ian expressed surprise that she should prefer any company to none. For he was a congenital solitary and melancholic.

Her letters – for they are what the book consists of – with a sprinkling of replies and commentaries from Ian Fleming, Evelyn Waugh (hitherto unpublished), Cyril Connolly, Patrick Leigh Fermor, Peter Quennell and others – are her justification. Like most patrician girls of her generation Ann had little education. Yet she became a brilliant correspondent. In the letters her character comes tumbling out. She is totally spontaneous, witty, and devil-may-care. She had a bubbling sense of fun. Witness her account of Paddy Leigh Fermor's first (and last) disastrous visit to Willie Maugham's Riviera villa, where he inadvertently referred to his host's stammer – an unpardonable sin.

Mark Amory is a conscientious editor. His introduction gives a brief but sympathetic survey of Ann Fleming's life. His lively footnotes provide biographical particulars of every person mentioned in the text. These letters are the record of an unsettled section of society, told by a fascinating and very attractive woman, who was one of its leading spirits.

Fanning fundamentalist fire

Dhiren Bhagat

AMRITSAR
Mrs Gandhi's Last Battle
By Mark Tully and Satish Jacob
Cape, £10.95

A year ago today Mrs Gandhi was shot by her Sikh guards in her own garden. Her son, Rajiv, was not at home. He was campaigning for the Congress Party in the Hooghly Delta in Bengal. A police patrol stopped his calvacade and told him he must return to Delhi at once as something terrible had happened. He took a helicopter to Calcutta. At the airport there he switched on his transistor and tuned in, not to the state controlled All India Radio but to the BBC, to hear Satish Jacob report on the 12.30 bulletin of the World Service that Mrs Gandhi's condition was grave. Minutes later Jacob confirmed she was dead. (Rajiv's instinctive choice was justified: AIR announced her death at 6pm.)

Immediately after the battle of the Golden Temple – code-named Operation Bluestar – there was a series of Sikh mutinies in the Indian army. The largest of these mutinies occurred at the Sikh Regimental Centre at Ramgarh in Bihar. The other ranks were agitated about what had happened in Amritsar; and their officers, it appears, had made no attempt to keep them informed. So when the soldiers heard Mark Tully report on the External Service that the 9th Sikhs near Ganganagar had mutinied, that was enough.

Mark Tully, the BBC's Chief of Bureau in Delhi since 1972, is a legendary figure in India whose word is widely respected. (Recently a monthly magazine appointed a panel of industrialists, politicians, and lawyers to vote the 50 most powerful men in India. Rajiv topped the poll, Tully came 26th, the only foreigner in the ranking.) Soon after the army action in Amritsar last June, Tully and his Indian assistant, Jacob, decided to write a book that would tell the entire story, an account that would put their acclaimed radio and television coverage in perspective. Foreigners were not allowed in the Punjab, so Jacob toured the state meeting army officers, Sikhs, and eyewitnesses, while Tully sat in Delhi writing it up. What has emerged is the best account so far of recent events in the Punjab.

Who killed Indira Gandhi? The honours are shared all round. Sub-Inspector Beant Singh? Yes he was the assassin, but, as the authors, observe "he was a victim himself, carried away by the anger which swept through the Sikh community after Operation Bluestar". Bhindranwale's Sikh fundamentalism? Yes but "fundamentalism does not exist in a vacuum. No Shah, no Khomeini; no Indira and no Bhindranwale." (The parallel is not exact for the authors admit she was no tyrant.) Indira Gandhi's communal politics and her habit of procrastination? The weakness and greed of the moderate Sikh leaders Longowal, Badal, and Tohra? Yes, but ... Tully and Jacob go even deeper. "The operation was not just a failure of Mrs Gandhi; it was a failure of the institutions of India ... The Punjab crisis showed just how unsuited the institutions of the Raj are for coping with the problems of modern India. It also showed how Mrs Gandhi, by centralizing all power in her own *darbar*, or court, had hastened the decline of those institutions".

Travelling through the Punjabi countryside after Operation Bluestar I found that none of the Sikhs I met believed a word of what appeared in the Indian press, except perhaps the record of yesterday's rainfall. But *Maa Talli* enjoyed an awesome reputation. It is unlikely those peasants will ever read this book. But if even a fraction of the angry Sikhs read and accept this account, it will prove to be one of the most important books on Indian politics ever written.

Poet of the solipsistic self alone

POETRY

Robert Nye

Norman MacCaig is the man who put the ME in metaphysics. *Self under self, a pile of selves I stand*, he tells us in one of the first poems he has thought worth preserving in his Collected Poems *(Chatto & Windus/The Hogarth Press, £9.95)*, adding that when the process of his cerebration dissolves the landscape he so much enjoys, it is only to discover *Farm within farm, and in the centre, me*.

MacCaig's delight in the natural world is constantly inhibited by this solipsism. In the very early work – he has included nothing from his first two volumes – this resulted in a verbal surface as thick as glue and only slightly less gelatinous. Middle MacCaig, the poet of *Riding Lights* (1955) and *The Sinai Sort* (1957), expressed his intrusive sense of self more gracefully, using strict forms and a riddling logic to worry meanings out. This is the MacCaig most to my own taste, a fine if limited love poet of real persistance. Latterly he has toned down the wit, loosened the metrical corset, and taken to writing rather leisurely and occasional poems about anything that amuses his sensibility. These verses have their admirers, being invariably well-turned, but the real MacCaig threatened briefly to be a twentieth-century Donne and we do his talents a disservice if we allow him to forget it.

John Heath-Stubbs first appeared in print at about the same time as MacCaig, when they were fellows in the verbal glue factory which called itself the New Apocalypse. Since then Heath-Stubbs has found his own ways of making sense, settling for poems *in a classical manner which was pastoral* as he once described it in the angular and delightful *Epitaph* which he wrote for himself:

Mr Heath-Stubbs as you must understand
Came of a gentleman's family out of Staffordshire
Of as good blood as any in England
But he was wall-eyed and his legs too spare ....

Even good poets don't always hit their particular stride as regularly as that and the pieces in The Immolation of Aleph *(Carcanet Press, £4.95)* deploy more wit than deep feeling in their playing around with the theme of exile from Eden. All the same, we should value Heath-Stubbs for his devotion to poetry and for the high standards which he has always set himself in making it, things becoming increasingly rare in an age of television and instant fame. He is a scholar, an eccentric, and a teasing magus, as well as a decent poet. He has not yet hung his hat on anybody's pension, or been offered a chair in a university. He is also blind, though that experience seems mostly to have sharpened his ear, and led him to compose more chattily for the speaking voice, and I certainly do not mention it for pity's sake.

R. S. Thomas, poet and priest, works at the other end of the scale, as anyone can see from his Later Poems 1972-1982 *(Macmillan, £4.95)*. Chary of rhyme, Thomas's poems puzzle out their meaning through assonance, returning again and again to the emblematic figure of his peasant parishioner Iago Prytherch, a sort of Welsh version of one of the Starkadders of Cold Comfort Farm. I confess to wishing that Prytherch would answer Thomas back just once.

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SCIENCE FICTION

Tom Hutchinson

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Those who lament the passing of the short story should take heart. It is not lost but gone before into science fiction. For, as I have said here in the past, the form is alive and well and living in a genre which allows it room to breathe and a space within which to experiment: that is the usual expectation of SF readers. Ms Saxton's collection more than sharpens that point; it hones a whole hedgehog-bristling. Womanly and witty, feminist without overkill ferocity, here are stories to proclaim a major British talent with a style aided by the recent literary past of science fiction's avant-garde.

The title story is a tour de force of concept – the transference of Manhattan to Leicestershire – but my favourite is "Lover From Beyond The Dawn Of Time," a Lovecrafty horror-story about a Utopian woman summoning up a stench-sodden creature from a Pit, a demon lover, to enliven her existence. Could this "thing" stand for the ego-dripping Male? Here are dreams of enormous clarity.

- **Slow Birds, by Ian Watson *(Gollancz, £8.95)*. Mr Watson's short stories are spring-loaded with effect, compressed with a drama that, in others, might take a novel to eke out. "Slow Birds" is a folk-fable about Cruise missiles appearing in a time-retarded alternate world with religious impact; others are more playful, though "Mistress of Cold" is a cruel account of a world-leader called Marguerite making the Cold War chillingly physical and plunging us all into Absolute Zero. Thatcherites would do best to avoid.**

- **Best Science Fiction Of The Year, 14, edited by Terry Carr. *(Gollancz, £9.95, paperback £4.95)*. One of the most holding clutches of short pieces to appear annually, a wonderfully varied selection from the year 1984, the Orwell-year which – notes Mr Carr – made science fiction newsily intriguing. His sideswipe at those who say "sci-fi" instead of SF has my approval.**

- **The Summer Tree, by Guy Gavriel Kay *(Allen & Unwin, £8.95)*. Back from the short cuts to the longer hauls with Book One of The Fionavar Tapestry. Maugrim, the imprisoned god, breaks free and wreaks vengeance. Wizard-led, five from our world combat the wrath. The language glimmers with purpose, but it's really another portion of saga-pudding.**

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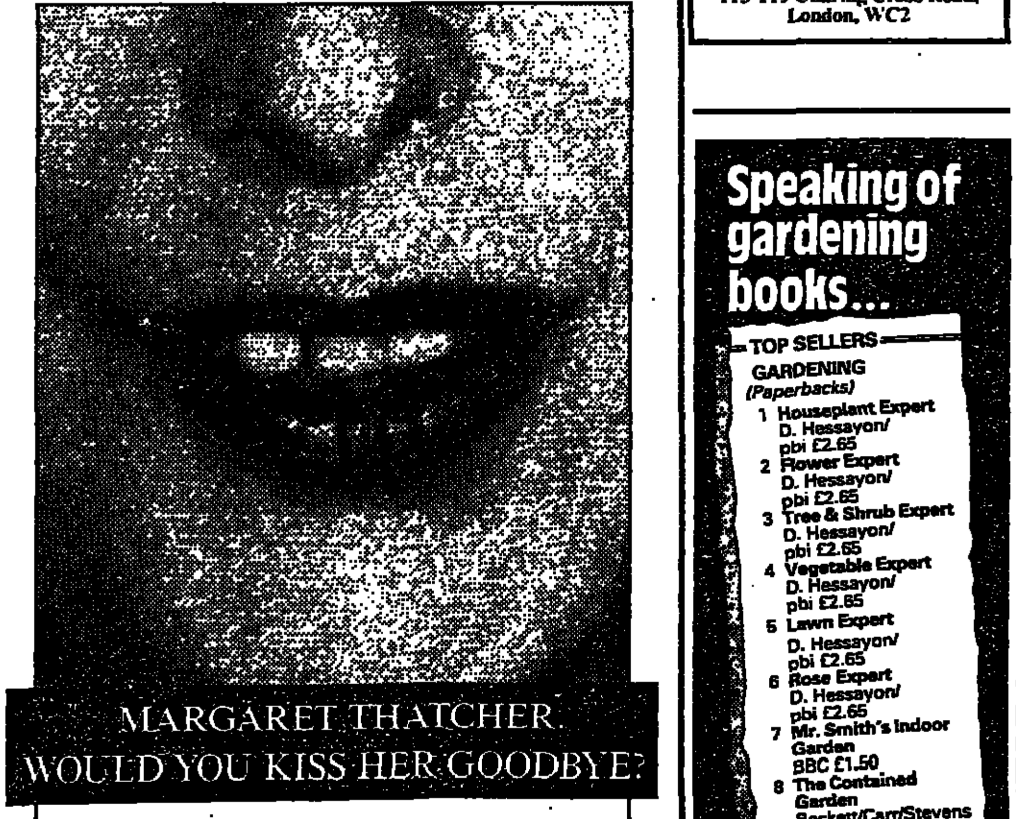

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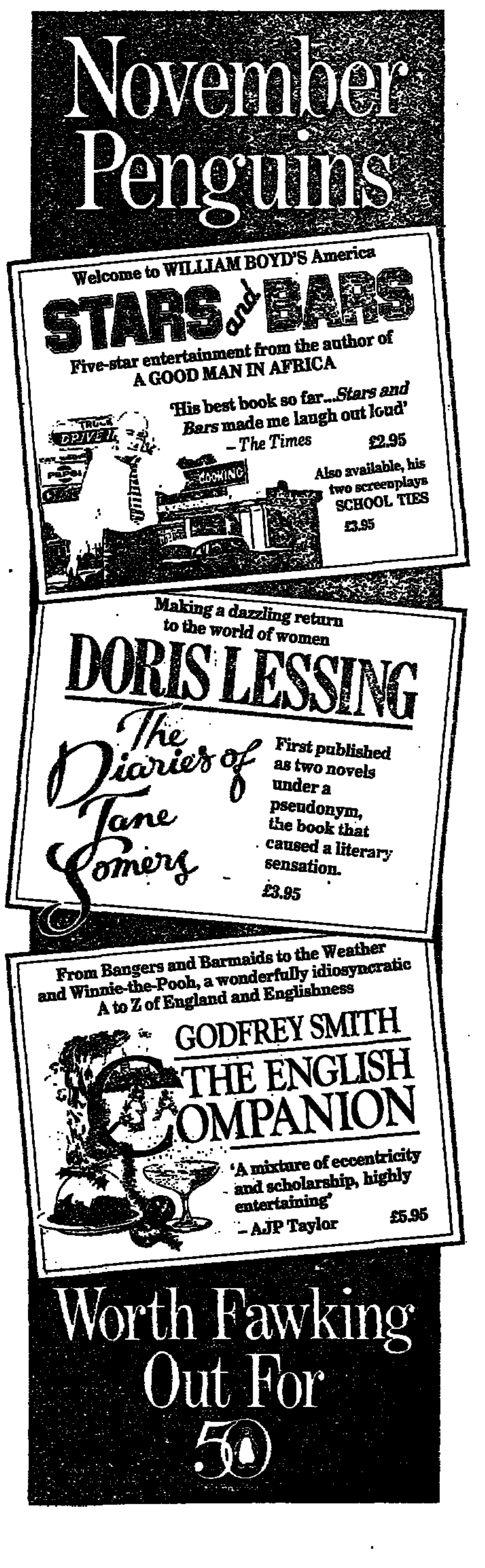

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SA on the ban list

In yet another leak from the Commons foreign affairs select committee, I am told the Tory MPs who clashed earlier this week with the African National Congress leader, Oliver Tambo, have crushed a move to take the committee to South Africa for a full-scale investigation. Instead the committee will go to India, Bangladesh and Pakistan to study British relations there. The Tories, who outnumber Labour members seven to four, decided this in a secret vote yesterday. Inevitably, they will now be accused by critics of kow-towing to Mrs Thatcher. As my source put it, "She lacked the guts to impose tougher sanctions on South Africa; they lack the guts to go there. South Africa is burning. It is a far more urgent problem than India."

Plain speaking

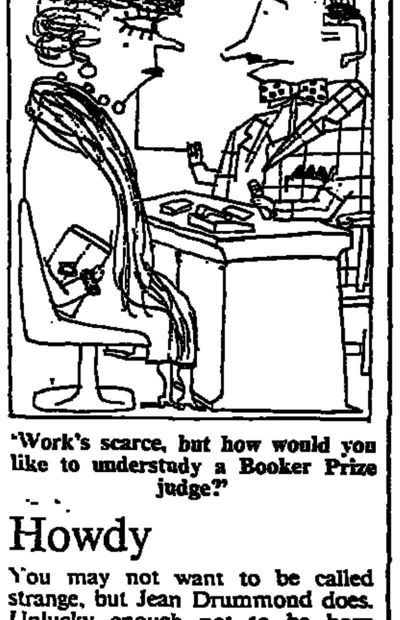
Brian Behan, Brendan's brother, rings to express his delight at yesterday's front-page story in *The Times* on the expulsion from the Workers' Revolutionary Party of Gerry Healy, its former leader, for alleged "gross sexual abuse" – a charge Healy's supporters deny. Behan, a former chairman of WRP's forerunner, the Socialist Labour League, was himself expelled by Healy in 1960 for, he says, daring to suggest that the WRP nationalize its printing press. But he defends Healy against the charge of sexual abuse. "He's as ugly as sin. I am sure he's totally innocent of any such charge."

● A press release on the teachers' dispute from the soar-away media-wise Labour Party begins engagingly: "Peter Hardy Wentworth MP has completed a very full recess programme. He visited two schools last week." (His real name is Hardy; Wentworth is his constituency.)

Unauthorized

The Rev Ian Paisley is developing a fine line in plagiarizing the Bible for his comedy scripts. As he left Downing Street yesterday after a meeting with Mrs T, he was asked if he believed the assurance given by the Northern Ireland Secretary, Tom King, that Dublin was not to be given a measure of control over the Ulster loyalists' cherished UDR. "Put not your trust in Princes – or Kings," he replied.

BARRY FANTONI



'Work's scarce, but how would you like to understudy a Booker Prize judge?'

Howdy

You may not want to be called strange, but Jean Drummond does. Unlucky enough not to be born male, she is having to go to the Lords for permission to inherit her father's title, the Barony of Strange. She is one of three daughters of the baron, who died in 1982, but although there seems to be no family dispute over the inheritance the application is not proving straightforward. A report by the Attorney General is to be considered by the committee of privileges in the Lords. With any luck, however, Mrs Drummond should be Lady Strange some time next year.

Seconds out

If the Booker judges come up with an odd choice tonight, it is unlikely to compare to an absurd list of books drawn up by Britain's 600 librarians in response to a request by Peter Mann, of Loughborough University. If a borrower cannot get a D. H. Lawrence, they suggest Dickens as an alternative. The alternative to Henry Miller: Harold Robbins. Scott Fitzgerald's alternative: P. G. Wodehouse; science fiction writers Ray Bradbury and John Wyndham are cited as alternatives to horror writer Stephen King.

Sting in tail

No one could blame Princess Anne if she were to believe in superstition. This week she attended a royal gala at Wembley Stadium celebrating the return of Halley's Comet which, according to legend, is supposed to bring doom and disaster. The gala provided a foretaste. Throughout the event, staged by promotor Barry Mishon, the microphone either failed to work of deafened the performer. As presenter Ned Sherrin put it tactfully, "It was a bumpy night." My source tells me that "unfortunately" the ones who could be heard were a singing Claire Rayner and Lady Wilson, who has written a special Halley poem concluding with the words "And from your lonely circuit without end, perhaps your radiance brings a better day, and, like the star which heralded a Birth – a hope for peace and happiness on earth."

PHS

Martin Fletcher on the parliamentary pressures on the Government over embryo research

Warnock: why either way spells trouble

"If the government does not act now – this year, this month or even this week – we shall merely encourage exploitation, mismanagement and social disaster," said one Tory MP during the Commons debate on the Warnock report on artificial reproduction and embryology last November.

Speaker after speaker – the Health Secretary, Norman Fowler, among them – reiterated the need for swift legislation before science "rushed far ahead of what is acceptable". Consultations were concluded in December. Yet it is unlikely that legislation on the central issue of whether experiments on embryos should be allowed will be announced in next week's Queen's Speech, and many MPs doubt that it will be introduced even within the lifetime of this government.

As Dame Mary Warnock succinctly put it when her report was published: "There is no compromise possible between the Catholic view that no research at all should be allowed on embryos, and the scientists' view that it should and must."

The government's problem is that it does not know which way to jump, yet by postponing a decision it runs the risk of a row involving scientists, governed by no legislation, going beyond what is publicly acceptable.

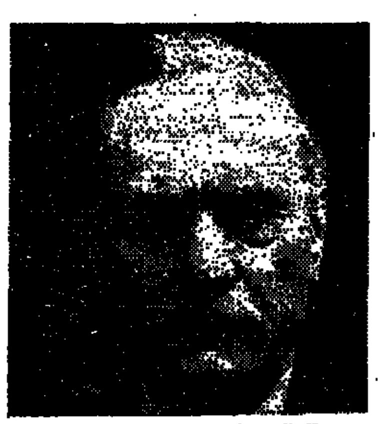
Its safest route would doubtless have been to follow the advice of its experts and legislate along Warnock's lines, which recommend that to combat infertility and genetic disease, strictly controlled research should be permitted on embryos up to 14 days old.

That route, however, is now blocked. The Warnock recommendations received a rough ride in both the Commons and Lords debates. More importantly, Enoch Powell's preemptive bill outlawing embryo experimentation commanded a 238-66 majority at its second reading in February, and a 157-82 majority at its report stage in May, before falling to its opponents' superior use of procedural tactics in June.

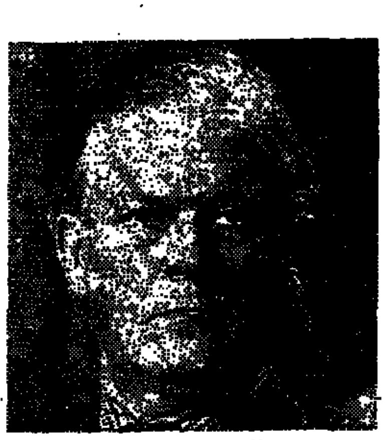
As the Government could not impose a whip, Powell's supporters are confident they could remobilize that majority to block any future legislation along the Warnock lines. Powell drily observes that it would be extremely difficult for the government to introduce a bill which flew in the face of Commons declarations.

Moreover, as the new health minister, Barney Hayhoe, is a practising Catholic who voted for Powell's bill in February, it would be impossible for him now to argue with conviction for the opposite.

The Government's wisest course, Powell asserts, would be to introduce legislation along the lines of his bill: "It would be popular and assured of a passage through both houses." That, however, is equally unlikely. It would involve the Government in rejecting a central tenet of a report *it* commissioned from experts *it* selected and which it welcomed on publication. It would mean turning its back on the bulk of the medical and scientific establishment and alienating the many who see research as the best hope of curing infertility and congenital disease. A third point, proferred by Powell himself, is that "governments don't say Powell was right".



Powell: "They're in a fix"



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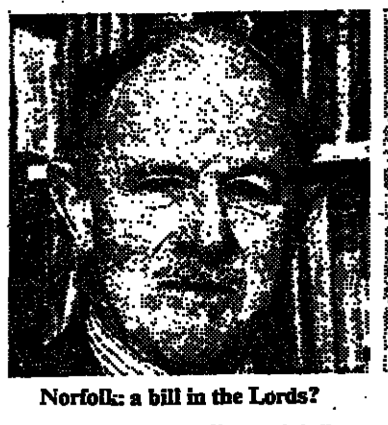

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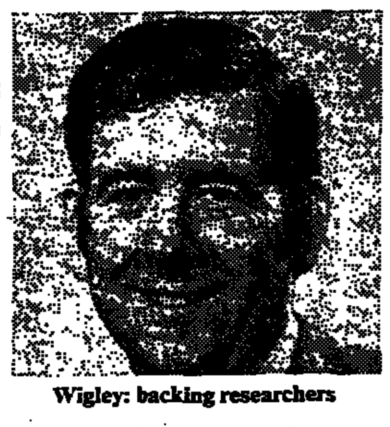

Wigley: backing researchers

"The Government is in a fix," he says. "People to whom it feels it has to pay attention want something which is highly unpopular in Parliament and with the public."

So how will the government proceed? Most MPs of both persuasions believe it will choose to procrastinate until its hand is forced. And that is what Powell's supporters intend to do.

Peter Bruinvels, the Tory who acted as "chief whip" for the Powell bill, has pledges from 36 MPs to introduce another private member's bill outlawing experimentation if any of them is successful in next month's ballot. Unless one of them draws one of the top six places, such a bill would stand little chance of success, but it would keep the issue in the public eye.

Likewise either Lord Rawlinson, the former attorney general, or the Duke of Norfolk, Britain's leading lay Roman Catholic, may introduce a bill in the Lords, where Powell's supporters also claim majority support.

There would be a stream of parliamentary questions, early day motions, private members' motions and adjournment debates. "Our only real hope of legislation is to embarrass the Government into action by using every possible means to bring the issue before Parliament and the public," says a senior Tory in the Powell camp.

Powell's supporters are displeased, therefore, that one of their number, Bill Cash (Tory), has tabled an early day motion calling for a select committee to investigate further the question of experimentation. Cash believes it would conclude that experimentation would open a Pandora's box of horrors and give Hayhoe ammunition to ban embryo research.

A Powell ally, Sir Bernard Braine, believes, however, that it would enable the government to "shunt the issue into a siding" while appearing to take action, and would preclude parliamentary debate for its duration.

The Powell camp has more than errant members to contend with. On November 12 the Progress Campaign, an umbrella body to coordinate all those individuals and specialist organizations opposed to Powell, will be launched "to support and protect controlled research into reproduction and prevention of infertility, miscarriage and congenital handicap".

Leading medical researchers will speak. The sponsoring MPs are Dafydd Wigley (Plaid Cymru), who has lost two children through congenital defect, Peter Thurnham (Tory), who has fostered a handicapped child, and Jo Richardson (Labour).

The campaign's immediate parliamentary task is to block any private member's bill to outlaw research. Bruinvels predicts "a dirty game". One prominent Powell opponent promises "to use every legal parliamentary device to drive it into the ground".

Progress Campaign supporters also dispute that Powell has a natural majority in Parliament. They concede that his camp mounted an effective lobby, mobilizing an existing network of predominantly Catholic, "pro-life" sympathizers who secured a petition of two million signatures, deluged individual MPs with letters and attended their surgeries.

But, they say, a good number of those who voted did so for "a quiet life" while the majority of MPs chose not to be present for the February debate.

By disseminating information on the benefits of research, Progress hopes to provide an effective counter lobby to sway public opinon and those MPs bewildered by the complex arguments or wary of Powell's moral absolutism.

Already, it claims (as do Powell's supporters), opinion is moving its way. The argument is no longer perceived as being between the religious and heretics who would experiment on "tiny humans". The Archbishop of York has declared himself pro-research. A *Panorama* poll showed 51 per cent in favour of research to eliminate genetic disease. The Labour conference voted overwhelmingly to deplore the 44 Labour MPs who voted for Powell.

To keep that alleged momentum going, Progress is likely to call for a DHSS working party of experts to examine what research is taking place and the possible benefits. While Powell's supporters wish to harass the government into legislation, the pro-Warnock lobby believes time is on its side.

Intermediate legislation has banned surrogate motherhood agencies. The voluntary licensing authority set up by the Medical Research Council and the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists to control research appears to be working well. Veteran Labour MP Leo Abse, who opposed abortion but supports Warnock, argues that "the composition of Parliament, the political climate, and the capability of both sides to veto the other all support the view that nothing can be done this parliament and the most we can expect is a bill which will implement some of the less controversial sections of Warnock."

Fence-sitting does have dangers for the government, however. At present there is nothing *legally* to prevent a scientist from gross or abhorrent abuse of embryos. Given its present luck, this is one potential banana-skin the government might have preferred to remove before the next election.

Paul Vallely on the need for western technology – even as basic as how to wield a hoe

From the Sahel, a new cry for help

Bob Geldof returns to London tomorrow from a visit to Australia where he hoped to persuade the prime minister, Bob Hawke, to step up his country's commitment to famine relief in Ethiopia and Sudan. The coming year, he said, may well be without the crises which prompted the dramatic television coverage of the past 12 months but in the sandy wastes of sub-Saharan Africa the emergency will continue.

As Geldof learned during his recent whistle-stop tour of the Sahel, however, the region's problems are too complex and too vast to be solved by the simple repetition of the Band Aid exhortation to feed the world. Nowhere was that more evident than on the day he visited two settlements for displaced nomads at Bukoro, 100 miles to the east of Ndjamena, capital of Chad.

A ring of camps had been established around Ndjamena in an attempt to stop the streets of the capital filling with destitute nomads who, having lost all their cattle and camels, had travelled up to 1,000 miles in search of food.

Near Bukoro there were two settlements where nomads had been given food, seeds and tools, and instructed how to plant a crop. As camps they were huge, for dwellings were not spaced close together but were separated by the small plots of 6ft-high sorghum and millet they had been taught to grow.

In the first settlement, Tchawaze, the scheme had worked, to a large extent. Rains had been adequate and early plantings were already bearing a good crop. About a quarter had been lost to grasshoppers but thanks to aid and the early harvest, the number of badly malnourished children dropped from around 2,000 to 200 of the 5,000 population. Aid workers in the camp were hopeful that their work would be complete by January.

But in the second camp, a dry and nameless place 10 miles away, the project had been an utter failure. The nomads, whose families had for centuries lived only on animal products, had had the most dispiriting introduction to agriculture.

"The rains were poor and the people farmed badly," said Ramadan Hussein, a Chad agricultural department official. "An experienced farmer could just have got a crop here but these people did not clear the ground adequately and we could not make them understand the need to keep the land completely free of weeds."

"To use the hoe was difficult. It is not a natural movement for a herdsman," said Albayan Abduli, swaying in clumsy demonstration. He had turned to farming after his 70 cattle died.

"We tried to clear the weeds but we got no crop," said Sale Ali, who had travelled 800 miles from Tibesti and lost his entire herd of 400 camels in the process. "This is all we got," said Sale Muza, waving the forlorn husks. He had once owned 70 camels, 100 cows and 40 goats.

This is the difficulty at the other end of giving food to the starving. After the emergency relief, after the crisis is in theory over, the peoples of the Sahel are having to find a new way of living in this forsaken zone which was once a seasonal grassland but is increasingly a permanent desert. But the creation of sensible and structured development projects is a complex and risk-laden business.

The problems of Mali, Mauritania, Burkina Faso, Niger, Chad and Sudan are depressingly similar. All are plagued with the process of desertification, not just from the Sahara pushing steadily southwards like an inexorable tide but also by desert patches breaking out like a canker in many places and then spreading out. All are saddled with foreign debts of considerable proportions; Niger, not the most extreme example, has an annual budget of 86 billion CFA francs of which it has to spend 40 billion to service its national debt. All suffer from a history of poor land management and the degradation of natural resources; the accepted way in which nomads collect honey, to take the slightest of cases, involves destroying the hive.

Each is burdened with an unproductive metropolis and a massive civil service; in Mali, one of the five poorest countries in the world, where the government is the biggest employer by a factor of 10, civil servants in the town of Youvarou were caught registering the arrival of food aid and immediately returning it to the capital for sale; the practice is said by aid workers to be common. All five countries have problems in securing enough fuel for cooking; in Sudan one agronomist has extrapolated that at the present rate of consumption the country will be treeless in eight years.

All are decimated by diseases; in the Sahel simple maladies such as diarrhoea and measles have this year killed record numbers of people; 3,000 children died of measles last year in Mali and more that 5,000 in Sudan. All nevertheless have rapidly increasing populations. Niger, with a growth rate of 2.7 per cent, estimates it will need at least an extra 50,000 tons of food every year; Burkina Faso has a growth rate of 4 per cent and one of the highest rates of infant mortality in the world.

When the worst drought of all came last year most of the Sahel countries lost about 80 per cent of their nomadic livestock. They also underwent profound changes in their population patterns, with millions of displaced people moving either into agricultural areas which were already overexploited or into the non-productive life of scavenging in the stinking shanty towns which have grown on the edges of the capital cities; many towns in the region now have more refugees than indigenous inhabitants.

Emergency aid is not really what these countries need, says President Kountche of Niger, who is chairman of the Organization of Sahelian Countries. "What we need is development aid. We have the human resources. What we need is the technology, and the funds."

In the north of his country, despite aggregate rain above normal, the water table has not risen from its drought level. "We know the water is there," said one official, "but it is at great depths. To us this is an insuperable problem. To western technology it is the work of minutes."

Some dispute the wisdom of large-scale technological intervention in semi-desert regions like this. A US State Department document issued in April claims that cereal production in Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger and Chad could be doubled if fair prices were offered to farmers and irrigation projects better managed.

But there are areas in which hard work and ingenuity are not enough. "What you really need," Bob Geldof, stating the obvious, told one group of civil servants, "is better infrastructure: roads to the famine areas, bridges, and large-scale irrigation projects. But Band Aid, with the best will in the world, just does not have that sort of money. For that you have to turn to the governments."

One of Band Aid's jobs, as Geldof sees it, lies in creating a climate of opinion in which Western governments feel obliged to respond more to such requests.

Drought compounded by folly

The anniversary of the first extensive coverage of the Ethiopian famine should be a time for deeper reflection about the fundamental causes of the Sahelian food crisis.

Drought alone is neither a necessary nor a sufficient condition for famine. Sensible economic policies in the Sahelian countries would have made them better able to cope. Instead, these policies have weakened Sahelian agriculture and the drought has turned hardship into disaster.

There is a diabolical asymmetry to European and African agricultural policies. Just as the EEC's common agricultural policy of excessive subsidy has bought into existence butter mountains, wine lakes and other surpluses, so the opposite has tended to happen in the Sahel.

Government policies of keeping agricultural prices at artificially low levels have reduced smallholder incentives to produce basic foods. So there have been food valleys rather than mountains and shortages rather than plenty. Sahelian governments have operated this inverted policy in the hope that it would keep the relatively well-off population happy with cheap food from the countryside. As a result, the farmers have hardly had the capacity to cope with normal weather conditions, let alone drought.

Resources generally have been concentrated on the more articulate urban populations at the expense of the long-suffering rural people. This has resulted in a drift to the towns and has sapped agriculture of much-needed resources.

At the same time, grossly inefficient state-controlled organizations have taken over a large part of agricultural production. They are overly concerned with the production of cash crops rather than basic foods and are insensitive to the marketplace and the needs of ordinary people. Although the effect is not quite as dramatic as the annihilation of the kulaks by Soviet collectivization in the 1930s, the Sahelian smallholder has been embattled by similar forces.

Despite repeated warnings about the consequences of present policies, the cynical and uncompassionate attitudes of the African governments are still contributing to the misery.

In certain cases, these policies have been ideologically inspired – for example, in Marxist Ethiopia. In others, disproven schools of economic development have been at fault. In most cases they reflect the excessive bureaucratization of the development process itself. The bureaucrats think smallholders can be replaced by nationalized concerns or dispensed with entirely.

Charity should begin at home: Sahelian governments should give agriculture a chance. Aid from Western governments will most probably do little more than support the current official impoverishment of agriculture.

Instead of marching on Westminster to demand more aid we should be marching on the Sahelian embassies, calling for the removal of anti-agricultural and pro-industrial biases in their policies.

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Ronald Butt

Can we trust the doctors?

The government has been handed a problem as a result of the campaign which Mrs Victoria Gillick fought and lost in her attempt to prevent the provision of contraceptives to girls under 16 without their parents' consent. Ministers should not suppose that the questions which prompted the Gillick case will go away now that the House of Lords has found against her particular solution.

Mrs Gillick fought with personal courage for a good cause. After the Court of Appeal found unanimously in her favour last year she had to contend not only with the appeal to the Lords of the Department of Health and Social Security on the grounds that the Appeal Court had invalidated departmental guidance that, in exceptional cases, the prescription of contraceptives to girls under 16 was not illegal. She was also subjected to a deluge of personal abuse that might have crushed a weaker person.

Unsubstantiable stories of suicides, abortions and unwanted pregnancies among teenage girls deprived of the pill by Mrs Gillick were fed to the media by bodies which feared that the Appeal Court's ruling might undermine the social change to which they are dedicated, including the recognition of the right of teenagers to "safe" sex.

Yet Mrs Gillick's case rested on an illogicality, and had she won it would have settled nothing. For she was not campaigning to make it illegal to prescribe the pill below the age of consent. She was simply saying that it would be legal to prescribe it if parents could be brought to agree, which some might do either because they were indifferent or because they did not share Mrs Gillick's principles.

The Gillick case gives a chance to think out the complex social, administrative and legal realities. There would plainly be no solution in asking Parliament to rewrite the law. Abolishing the age of consent would be wrong and unacceptable to the public. Lowering it to (say) 14 would leave us with the present problem at a lower age threshold; the libertarians would campaign for the sexual rights of 11 and 12-year-olds. Legally requiring parental consent to an action that connives at breaking the law on the age of consent simply makes the law an ass, and arbitrarily differentiates between one child and another on possibly false notions of parental responsibility.

A clue to a better remedy lies hidden in the observation (in the Lords' judgment) by Lord Scarman that the truth might well be that the rights of parents and children in this "sensitive area" were better protected by the professional ethics of doctors than by strict legal definition. Lord Scarman plainly accepts as fact the picture normally presented by the contraceptives-for-teenagers lobby that the question is whether *doctors* (in the sense of the term we normally understand) should be free to prescribe the pill (or something else).

A picture is conjured up of a friendly, perhaps a family, doctor in his surgery who has the time to talk to the girl, counsels her in her own best interest and prescribes the pill only when he has done his best to persuade her not to take it.

That, I suspect, is not how it usually is, but the truth is that *nobody* – government, judges or the public – has any clear idea of what happens when a girl walks into a family planning clinic. We only have scraps of information to go on.

We know, for instance, from the Brook Advisory Centre booklet, *Safe Sex for Teenagers*, that Brook's "underlying philosophy for staff appointments (to run their clinics) is that 'the customer is always right'. Those who believe the professional advice-giver is always right would find it difficult to work at this kind of centre."

Again: "We must be prepared to challenge our established attitudes that sexual activity in young people is dangerous." And: "There are still too many workers in birth control clinics who believe consciously or subconsciously that sex before 16 is sinful." Well, it's not very difficult to envisage the kind of "counselling" bred by that kind of attitude, and I doubt if it is what Lord Scarman had in mind.

Most clinics, however, are not run by Brook but by area health authorities, paid for by the public but mainly staffed by people trained by the Family Planning Association, which largely shares the Brook ethos. Yet the DHHS does not monitor the clinics it pays for, or give the public information about their methods. We have no idea how long a doctor, as distinct from other staff, spends with each patient (or client); how many applicants are given the pill or another contraceptive; how many are referred to parents; how many are counselled to think again. The public which pays the money is entitled to know how far it is used on the assumption that the 14-year-old "customer" who insists is "always right".

It would be equally interesting to have some idea of how long family doctors spend on each patient, and how prevalent is the view of one doctor who allegedly told a parent: "I haven't got time to moralize: I'm only here to prevent unwanted pregnancies."

There is also a wider remedy. Under-age sex is encouraged in part by irresponsible elements in the media and entertainment, but most of all by the kind of sex education promoted by the same people who push the pill as the teenager's right. The assumption is that the one deadly sin is to moralize. You can moralize about unemployment, defence, social security and race – but never about sex.

The government should look much more closely at the kind of sex education given in its schools. Others too should be less mealy-mouthed. Winifred Stone, director of the Church of England's Church Society, wrote to *The Times* recently welcoming the Lords' ruling on Gillick (giving reasons) "even though we feel that it is physically and emotionally undesirable for girls under 16 to have sexual intercourse". Even the spokeswoman of a Christian body cannot bring herself to write that it is *morally wrong*; merely that it is emotionally and physically "undesirable". Thus are our habits of expression corrupted by fashion. A little more morality would not come amiss.

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moreover . . . Miles Kington

Lights, ballpoints action . . .

Yes, today's the day! Booker Day is here at last! The tension, which can only be described as fearsome, or, if you're Anthony Burgess, as rebarbative, is now at fever pitch. Those family quarrels over the eventual winner; those punch-ups which have given Britain the name of the most argumentative novel-reading public in Europe; those inner-city riots over the merits of the quiet, domestic novel as opposed to the big sprawling canvas – all will come to an end today as the six lucky finalists are led out in their writing suits to answer questions from Terry Wogan, or is it Melvyn Bragg this year?

But there's an awful lot to happen before the big moment. All TV channels will be cleared of snooker for the build-up to the ceremony, when the winner is crowned Mr (or Miss) Booker, and starts his or her wonderful year of library-opening and book-signing. At the risk of being sued by the *Radio Times* and *TV Times*, I now give you details of the all-channel coverage (except Channel 4: documentary on the Nicaraguan novel) of the biggest day in the novel's calendar.

6.00 pm: Live coverage of the Booker motorcade from the London Library.

6.45: Recorded highlights from Booker ceremonies of the past, including such great moments as John Berger's attack on the company, Richard Cobb's unforgettable dismissal of Proust, Selina Scott's interrogation of the judges and many, many favourites you've asked to see again, and many you haven't.

7.30. Arrival of the six finalists, drawn in the State Coach, symbolizing the speed with which so many publishers rush their books to the bookshops.

8.00. *How They Got There.* A film showing how the six finalists made their way to Wembley, or wherever it is, together with interviews with some of the embittered writers whose novels have yet again been ignored by the London literary mafia.

8.30. Live coverage of the hectic scene at many publishers' warehouses, where they are preparing to put "Booker Winner!" stickers on the novel which is about to be declared book of the year. Also coverage of some of London's leading bookstores, where readers are already preparing to queue all night to get their Booker winner.

9.00. Message to the nation from Salman Rushdie, appealing for calm and order.

9.05. THE FINAL CEREMONY.

Remember, the winner is automatically allowed to go on any chat show in the next year to give her or his or even Anthony Burgess's opinions of the current novel, so a great deal is riding on the result. You yourself may have put a lot of money on the outcome (if you've bought all six novels, you certainly have already!), so here to remind you is the checklist of the half dozen tremulous contestants.

Doris Tolstoy, whose *Tautly Constructed* is a finely-wrought portrait of an unforgettable character who shows indomitable courage in the face of (continued on back flap).

Morris Tolstoy, writer of *Places I Have Never Been*, acclaimed as the greatest work yet by our greatest living travel writer.

Borris Tolstoy, author of *Another Novel, Another Deadline*, seen by many as yet another novel by the author of previous novels.

Orris Tolstoy, who has been runner-up in the Booker Prize five times before and is quite honestly getting fed up with it, though grateful for the free nosh, of course.

J. L. Tolstoy, whose *Rank Outsider* is a touching study of someone who never thought he would be on the Booker shortlist and had actually made plans to be dining with relations tonight, sorry, Aunty May.

J. Arthur Prufrock, author of a novel entitled *The Booker Shortlist*, which is generally seen as an elegant, well-hewn and above all cheeky attempt to boost sales with a misleading title.

So there you go. The excitement is almost tangible or, in Anthony Burgess's word, formicative. Armed with this special cut-out guide you will be able to follow everything up until the almost unbearable moment when Joanna Lumley lowers the Booker crown on to the forehead of the incredulous winner and comforts the incredulous losers. Myself, I shall be in bed with a good book, probably Spike Milligan's latest volume of war memoirs. But I hope you all have good fun.

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STILL A SPOTTY LEOPARD

The coming parliamentary session may be decisive in conditioning the basic public perception of the rival political parties when the general election process begins in two, or possibly two-and-a-half, years' time. Election campaigns settle the choice between credible alternatives, but it is the longer haul which determines how many alternatives are credible.

At the moment, the rapid fluctuations of the opinion polls seem to indicate a good deal of open-mindedness. The public feels some discontent with Mrs Thatcher's Government, and both in by-elections and opinion polls expresses an inclination to look elsewhere. But it does not seriously doubt the Thatcher Government's operational credibility within the broader bands of public acceptability. The Labour party, however, though it is more popular than it was still has to convince the public that it is capable of power-holding within the political consensus. It is *on that* score that it will be judged in the coming year, both in comparison with the Conservatives and against the Alliance's attempt to break into the political structure.

Labour's handicap is the extremist Socialist commitment of so many throughout its organization, from constituency parties and local government to a significant section of its parliamentary membership and of its parliamentary candidates. Acknowledging this implicitly, Labour's management shows some signs of wishing to emulate the French Socialist party by subordinating socialism to the realities of political power.

It has adopted a defence policy which is formally pro-Nato, even though it is anti-nuclear, a compromise in which the non-unilateralist Mr Roy Hattersley and Mr Denis Healey unhappily acquiesce. Domestically, it has relegated (so far as it can) the older sort of public ownership to the back of the shelf, putting on display an elaborate construct of interventionism derived from the old Wilson model. It would spend more in the hope of promoting jobs: it would obtain the money by borrowing and high taxation and the forced repatriation (under tax sanctions) of overseas investments; and it would try to stave off inflation by wage restraint deals with the unions.

Mr Roy Hattersley has now even appealed to the CBI for talks on an agreed partnership between a Labour government and industry, offering assurances that Labour is not, after all, against high profits.

Formal policy is not, however, everything as Mr Kinnock understands. At the party conference, therefore, he took on both Mr Scargill, and Mr Derek Hatton the Militant deputy-leader of Liverpool Council, continuing his argument with the latter since then. They are both easy targets for rhetoric. Mr Scargill has exploded his own credibility and has lost the most profitable part of his own union. *Mr Hatton is seen as counter-productive* by the realistic hard left which is interested in power; that is why Mr David Blunkett, the hard left Sheffield leader, threw him a life-line of offered compromise at the Labour Conference.

Indeed, far more important than Mr Scargill or Mr Hatton is the entrenchment of the far left *in so many Labour local authorities* and constituency "selectorates". In Tottenham, a respected MP of the older left, Mr Norman Atkinson, has been de-selected in favour of Mr Bernie Grant, who created his own notoriety over the Tottenham riot. Yet Mr Kinnock dare not disown Mr Grant. In the Liverpool area, a soft-left MP, Mr Kilroy-Silk is threatened with de-selection in favour of one of Mr Hatton's Militant colleagues. There is little chance that Labour can extrude the destructive left from its grassroots.

At the centre, things look better for Mr Kinnock personally. By one vote, his favoured candidate, Mr Derek Foster, has been elected Chief Whip. Yesterday's shadow cabinet elections (in which the soft left Tribune group and the harder left Campaign group ran a joint "slate") produced, in effect, an increase of one for the soft left, who now constitute one-third of the shadow cabinet. There are other signs too that the more realistic members of the hard left are prepared to take the leader's shilling; one of them, Mr Kevin Barron, an NUM hard-left MP, has accepted the job of Mr Kinnock's Parliamentary Private Secretary.

Yet all this indicates only the pursuit of power by the realistic hard left which wants to stay in business by avoiding another Labour defeat. It does not signify solidarity around policies acceptable to the nation. It is *highly unlikely* that the nation would vote for a defence policy which, in reality, amounts to the unilateralism for which Mr Kinnock's own heart beats so strongly. There is an equal lack of credibility in the party's domestic policies behind Mr Hattersley's elaborate façade. Labour may look in better shape, and its leader is certainly *more popular, but the old* problems remain because Labour is still very much two parties: one a democratic Labour party trying to respond to public opinion, the other a hard-line socialist party trying to impose its own opinion. In the testing, Labour is likely to prove much less credible than may now appear.

LEADERS OF TOMORROW

On November 5 Virginia and New Jersey go to the polls to elect state governors. These are parochial contests, unlikely to attract attention many miles beyond Richmond or Trenton let alone abroad. Even so, they are worth a second glance. The office of governor, often invisible from this side of the Atlantic, has always been a stepping stone to federal politics in the United States: some of its graduates, such as Franklin Roosevelt, went on to glory. Jimmy Carter did not.

In recent years the gubernatorial ranks have begun to sparkle in a new way. Certain state houses contain political leaders weathered by hard tasks of public administration, not least questions of taxing and spending in an era when easy assumptions of federal generosity and public tolerance of taxation are a route to political oblivion. In certain state houses *there is refreshing evidence of* political and fiscal imagination sorely lacking in Washington DC. Earlier this week our Washington correspondent described a gallery of governors which included its share of the rogues and charlatans found at all levels of American politics. He also identified individuals, in New York, Illinois, Colorado, Arizona, Tennessee, Delaware who are among the Republicans' and Democrats' brightest lights for future presidential elections not just as attractive personalities but also as practical thinkers about policy and ideology.

For Sinclair Lewis, the name Babbitt stood for all that was banal and mediocre about Main Street America; but in the Far West and in the councils of the Democratic Party, the name has lustre. It belongs to the Governor of Arizona, Bruce Babbitt, who has won applause for his tough approach to the management of public services. In both his writing and his practical administration in Phoenix, Babbitt has attempted to revise a *lesson from the 1960s and 1970s* that those who favour relatively generous provision of social services and education are least able to manage those services efficiently. Babbitt has confronted the issue of measuring the performance of a group of service providers who, even in the United States, are well organized in unions and hence resistant to change, the school teachers. His advocacy of merit pay and performance-related rewards has earned him both contumely and praise; the proof of the pudding lies in the Arizona school system. Improvement there will surely be Babbitt's springboard to national office.

One of the beauties of American federalism – and why President Reagan's efforts to restore legal and fiscal powers to the states deserve applause – is the ability of the various states to experiment in policy. Babbitt is matched, among the Republican governors, by Lamar Alexander of Tennessee who is, in British terms, a radical privatizer contemplating even the contracting out of prison administration. In the United States he counts as a chief executive able and willing to try a new method of solving the intractable problem of providing for an ever-expanding penal population at minimum cost to taxpayers. One of the strongest arguments against the drift towards the centre in social policy in Britain in recent years – seen most clearly in the financial centralization deemed necessary to curb local authority spending – is that it blocks local experiments that might, whether they succeed or not, provide an example to be taken up nationally or in other localities. In the United States in, for example, the care of a growing population of very old people, governors and state legislatures are in the midst of a series of experiments involving public and private sectors: the huge cost of national experiments in policy that might eventually fail is avoided.

Lessons learnt locally may not translate to the federal level – nor may personalities. Before Jimmy Carter the Nixon presidency offered in former Governor Spiro Agnew an unfortunate example of ethical failure. None the less both parties now appear favoured by the presence of men who know the feel of power – in the huge budgets, for example, of California, New York or Illinois – and its limitations, in having to deal with recalcitrant legislatures and the prospect of quadriennial election. The contenders in the ballots next week in Virginia – Wyatt Durette for the Republicans and Gerald Baliles for the Democrats – may both remain in obscurity; yet they and the subsidiary actors in the process may also ensure a constantly renewed flow of political talent into the pool of American national politics.

FAIR PRICE FOR LIVES

The new deal that the National Health Service management has struck with the ambulancemen can be seen as one of the most significant successes for public sector industrial relations in recent years. With no apparent rancour a formula has been agreed that simultaneously raises the status and conditions of service of ambulancemen, allows greater scope for job satisfaction and opens the way to incentive. The *extension* of professionalism should increase still further the sense of responsibility of those working in this emergency service. More to the point, it should bring a fast and tangible increase in the quality of service offered to NHS clients, and do so with improved productivity.

The deal is a model for what other unions – blue or white collar – negotiating on behalf of NHS employees can achieve for their members for the service and for patients. At an estimated cost to the annual wage bill of only 4.7 per cent the hourly-paid ambulancemen's remuneration of £96 per week plus overtime is to be transformed into a salary of £165. Ambulancemen are to be accorded the same status as the *other* emergency services, and their part of the bargain is to forgo all but minimal overtime and to train up to "paramedic" standards. A survey for the DHSS found earlier this year that *if ambulancemen* were trained in three simple life-saving techniques – helping to restore heartbeat, infusion procedures and the use of plastic tubes to open up blocked passages – as many as 5,000 lives a year could be saved on the journey from place of casualty to hospital.

Sadly, there have been few such clear examples of all-round benefit in the recent history of negotiation between employers and the paramedical, ancillary and medical professions. Trade unions still *raise an ideological* objection to local health authorities cutting waiting lists by contracting out non-emergency operations to the private sector. The patients whose hip replacements or tonsillectomies are thus performed are not canvassed for their opinions. Similarly, the British Medical Association has vigorously defended the right of its consultants to stick to their existing inefficient working practices, and the BMA's General Medical Service Committee has recently objected to a laudable plan put forward by the Royal College of General Practitioners to pay good family doctors more than bad family doctors. It is to be hoped that when the opportunity next arises for these groups to renegotiate terms and conditions of service they will *bear in mind the example of the* ambulancemen, who, like them, work in the service of the public.

What is perhaps most remarkable about the ambulancemen's deal is that it was announced to such little public and political notice. Since there is no capital for the opposition in the NHS's achievements – Labour's interest in the Health Service is cynical and consists in multiplying the negative – this is not surprising. But it is another failure of the Government public relations machine to trumpet a success in the way that its opponents broadcast its shortcomings. The NHS is successful, and this more than most was an occasion to say so with vigour.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Treatment in Cyprus secrets trial

From Mr Colin Welland

Sir, In your editorial on Cyprus security (October 29) you referred to those patently abused yet acquitted servicemen as having been "handled with softness and consideration compared to the treatment they would have received at the hands of the KGB or any organ of that State against which their intelligence work was mostly directed".

What, may I ask, has that to do with it? We are not the Soviet Union, nor South Africa, nor any other oppressive regime. We live in a *supposedly* free, *democratic* society, and our terms of reference, when considering the behaviour of any of our citizens, should be those of such a society and of none other.

Your argument would sit happily in the pages of *Pravda* or Botha's State-controlled press. Such excuses are easy to cook up – but, for any true democrat, extremely difficult to swallow.

Yours sincerely,
COLIN WELLAND,
c/o A. D. Peters and Company,
10 Buckingham Street, WC2.
October 29.

From Mr John Le Carré

Sir, Today's leading article on the Cyprus spy trials contains the following passage concerning the accused men:

> Whether their interrogators overstepped the mark (in a context where Judges' Rules do not properly apply) it is a fact of life they were handled with softness and consideration compared to the treatment they would have received at the hands of the KGB or any other organ of that State against which their intelligence work was mostly directed.

Well now, that's great news. Innocent Englishmen, incarcerated while awaiting trial, may breathe a sigh of relief. When their interrogators smash their fingers for them, let them count themselves lucky that, unlike the Saudis, they did not *lop off the whole hand. And when* they are kicked in the teeth, let them thank God that, unlike the heathen Russians, their interrogators did not pull them out one by one.

To suggest that our attitude to the torture of prisoners should be measured by the standards of those you judge barbarians is going it, even by the prevailing standards of the times.

Yours sincerely,
JOHN LE CARRÉ,
c/o John Farquharson Ltd.,
162-168 Regent Street, W1.
October 29.

From Captain R. Hamilton

Sir, Your sensible leader (October 29) might perhaps have emphasized the question: What were the men's officers doing? They must have known that all the conditions existed to put their men's discipline and reliability to the test.

Fit, intelligent young men were serving in a foreign land on duties which cut them off from their service comrades, are extremely boring, but cannot be discussed with *them or with their families.* These duties must be carried out with great vigilance and concentration, but without the wartime stimulus of adventure, nor are they rewarded by any feedback of results or praise.

In such circumstances servicemen's off-duty activities are of great importance. If they tend to the bizarre, rather than the conventional, the men themselves may be more vulnerable than they realise to approaches from experienced, well-trained local agents.

An officer's responsibility for his men doesn't end when they go off duty in a station like Cyprus – not, that is, unless he is so reluctant to intrude on their privacy that he *leaves the way clear for others with* no such inhibitions.

Yours faithfully,
ROGER HAMILTON,
West Dean,
Salisbury,
Wiltshire,
October 29.

Right of audience

From the Chairman of the Bar

Sir, I refer to the campaign, which is reported to be funded by your newspaper's legal department, to remove the exclusive right of audience of barristers in announcing the settlement of libel actions on terms which include a statement read in open court. I shall not comment on the legal issue involved, since this is under appeal.

It is always open to parties to settle a libel action without any statement being read in court at all. They can issue the terms of an agreed apology to the Press. Presumably parties who do decide to go to court think it useful to invoke the processes of the law to show clearly that the action has come to an end and to ensure that they obtain greater publicity for their statement.

The barristers will have been involved in the libel action which is settled in this way from an early stage. They will have advised respectively on the nature of the claim, and the nature of the defence. They will have settled the pleadings. They will generally have advised their clients as to the wisdom of settling the case – not an easy task in a delicate area of the law where so much pride is involved. They will *then frequently draft the form of a* statement to be read in open court. They will always approve and sign such a statement, so indicating that the contents are proper to be read in court – checking, for example, that *the statements do not defame third* parties.

After all this, it is open to the parties – and would have been open to Mr Smith (report, October 19) – to read the statement for themselves. If they do not choose to do so, it is surely reasonable that the barrister should see the case through to the end.

Your Mr Brett has said that he would have read the statement at a cost of £25. A solicitor would have to travel from his office to court, wait for the case to be called on, join in the reading of the statement, and travel back to his office. I would be surprised if one could get a plumber to do comparable work for the price at which Mr Brett appears to value his services.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT ALEXANDER,
The Senate of the Inns of Court and the Bar,
11 South Square,
Gray's Inn, WC1.
October 28.

Tory loyalty

From Lord Caldecote, FEng

Sir, Anthony Wigram's concept of loyalty (October 25) to a political leader is not a healthy one, either from the point of view of the *Conservative Party or of our* democracy. No one is entitled to expect loyalty; it can only be earned, and of course it starts at the top.

As far as I am aware there was nothing in the Conservative Party manifesto which advocated a continually rising level of unemployment. If some Conservative MPs believe, as I do, that this is an unacceptable, albeit unintentional, outcome of the policy advocated in the manifesto and now being followed, it is their duty to the Conservative Party, to its leader and to the country as a whole to say so and do their best to achieve a change of course, just as it was in the late 1930s when many Conservative MPs thought a change of course was urgently needed.

That is not disloyalty but it requires courage. The leaders of the Conservative Party will earn the loyalty they need to carry out their responsibilities and to win the next election if they are prepared to give *serious attention to these views and* to be flexible in responding to them.

Yours faithfully,
CALDECOTE,
House of Lords.
October 28.

From Mr Peter Bottomley, MP for Eltham (Conservative)

Sir, I have always thought and said that a Conservative puts country first, constituency second and party next. During my nine years as a mildly revolting backbencher no one ever (well, hardly ever) got upset.

Unity does not require unanimity. Harmony is more fulfilling than everyone trying for the same note at the same time.

In a brief period as a minister I am conscious of policy developing and decisions being reviewed, modified or changed. The Chinese describe as "whateverists" those who make sure they are always in step. True loyalty demands more than that.

Yours faithfully,
PETER BOTTOMLEY,
House of Commons,
October 25.

Matter of manufacturing

From the Director of The British Information Technology Export Organisation

Sir, The report from the House of Lords Select Committee on Overseas Trade (details, October 16) clearly identified the problems faced by manufacturing industries. Immediate, strong, and imaginative action is required.

Unhappily, that seems unlikely. British governments rarely act in so undignified a manner and certainly *did not do so in reaction to the* report issued by the NEDC in August, 1984, "Crisis Facing UK Information Technology", which identified many of the same problems and proposed similar solutions for just one industry.

However, that industry is one of the largest and strongest growing in the world and it accounts for the greatest, and fastest growing part of our trade deficit in manufactured goods.

Computer production is already beginning to be transferred to developing countries and it is not too dramatic to say that, without the entrepreneurial touch, the imaginative investment and the immediate action required of this Government, we will in the longer term change places with them. *We* will become the Third World.

The select committee quite rightly criticizes the Government for reducing the budget of the British Overseas Trade Board and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. I myself liken this action to that of a company seeking to ease its low sales induced cash-flow problems by reducing its marketing activities.

I am nevertheless disappointed that the committee does not go further, for in addition to increasing those budgets it is essential that much more specialized services should be provided to actively expand the sales of the information technology industry.

The industry is so highly technological, so lacking export marketing resources, is in such a highly competitive market and is so important that generalist services which the BOTB and the FCO are able to provide are alone insufficient. Dedicated services by people with direct experience in the industry are needed to provide the *additional support required.*

Yours faithfully,
ROY PORTER, Director,
The British Information Technology Export Organisation,
Queens Building,
10-11 Bishops Court,
Old Bailey, EC4.
October 18.

Sense in charging museum visitors

From Mr C. H. F. Blake

Sir, I find myself in unusual disagreement with your views (October 28) on museum charges, an already widespread practice in Europe and one being introduced in the United States.

You declare yourself in favour of sponsorship schemes and commercial exploitation but against contributions by the viewing public. I cannot see the logic of this; and the solution to the problem of those who *cannot or will* not pay is surely to make it voluntary, as is being done at the V & A, whose roof alone requires millions spent on it.

I had thought that the "something for nothing" syndrome was dying out. Earlier this month I, along with most other visitors, gladly gave four dollars for the privilege of going round the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York and I kept my button badge as a souvenir. It really is time we stopped destroying our *cultural heritage* in deference to a minority who find it difficult to help pay for its maintenance.

A possible outcome of your philosophy is that there would be no art galleries, etc, to visit. The finances of our cathedrals have been transformed since Salisbury, Winchester and others introduced what you call conscience money.

Yours faithfully,
C. H. F. BLAKE,
4 Park Street,
Charlbury, Oxford.
October 29.

Prince and the Press

From Mr Michael Leapman

Sir, You report today (October 29) that Buckingham Palace is angry at the breach of convention by the Press in reporting off-the-record observations by the Prince of Wales at his reception for journalists in Melbourne. Angry but scarcely surprised, I should imagine. I cannot recall a recent royal tour when this has not occurred at least once.

What is the point of these social events where reporters are supposed to discard their professional mantles? Their editors have spent large sums of money in conveying them across the world precisely because their readers are interested in knowing what the royal couple are saying and thinking. They would be defrauding their employers if they dicovered something interesting but failed to report it, in the interests of cosying up to the court.

If the Prince of Wales holds views that he does not want made public, the best idea would be to stop discussing them with reporters.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL LEAPMAN,
13 Aldebert Terrace, SW8.
October 29.

Nurse Cavell's death

From Mrs Susan Steward

Sir, Your column (October 23) embodying my late father's report on his last interview with Nurse Edith Cavell includes a reference to her body being brought to Norwich.

My father used to tell of how Brussels came to a virtual standstill on that day; all traffic on the five-mile route from the Tir National (where a memorial service had been held the previous December) was stopped and many thousands of *people lined the route in silent* tribute.

The main hall of the Gare du Nord was converted into a chapel, with catafalque and pulpit, for the final service of remembrance before the coffin was placed on the special train which brought it to England.

The pocket Communion set which my father used when he gave Miss Cavell her last Communion was, I believe, sent by my mother to the then Commonwealth and Continental Church Society in the hope that it might be placed on permanent display in Christ Church, Brussels, in memory of Nurse Cavell.

Yours faithfully,
SUSAN STEWARD (*née* Gahan),
10 Grove Lane,
Brampton,
Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire.

Logic of sanctions

From Professor Emeritus William Gutteridge

Sir, In your leader of October 15 you attributed to me estimated and now widely quoted figures for jobs in this country dependent on British trade with and investment in South Africa. What you did not make clear is that in the Conflicts Study, *The South African Crisis: time for international action,* which you cited, I associate their possible loss, *not with sanctions, but with a* violent upheaval, whether long drawn-out or not.

I actually go on to say that

> If there was a real hope that British sanctions could be decisive in ending apartheid and preventing a nationwide explosion, then Britain would clearly have to run the risk in her own interest as well as that of the people most affected.

The overall logic of my argument is that, alongside whatever pressures or sanctions which may prove feasible or effective, I would set a powerful incentive in the shape of a comprehensive, but obviously step-by-step, international Marshall plan for the whole of Southern Africa to promote and consolidate black advancement.

Commitment to such a plan would be aimed immediately at encouraging the Government of South Africa to respond urgently to the growing pressures on it and to engage in serious negotiations with the leaders of all races in the country, including those in prison and in exile. Faced with daily more acute economic problems, they might find it difficult to refuse.

Yours faithfully,
WILLIAM GUTTERIDGE,
26 St Mark's Road,
Leamington Spa, Warwickshire.
October 24.

ON THIS DAY

OCTOBER 31 1922

On October 29 King Victor Emmanuel III (1869-1947) appointed Mussolini prime minister of Italy. The future dictator had some years before planned that he would march in triumph at the head of his fascist legions, to take over the government. In the event some of his militiamen did enter the city on foot; Mussolini arrived – by train. Our Correspondent was Vernon Bartlett.

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SIGNOR MUSSOLINI'S POLICY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ROME, OCT. 30.

Signor Mussolini arrived here at 11 o'clock this morning, wearing the black shirt of the Fascisti, and was received at the railway station with enthusiasm. He drove immediately to the Quirinal to hand to the King the list of his Ministers.

This afternoon Signor Mussolini received me at his hotel, where he was about to take his first meal for twenty-four hours.

Accompanied by an aide-de-camp and furnished with a pass, I mounted to the first floor, where a number of Fascisti officers held guard over the apartment of their chief. I found Signor Mussolini with the Deputy Signor Finzi, who was well known as an airman during the war. He spoke of the events of the last few days.

"The Nationalist revolution is" (he said) "a lawful one, since it succeeded without bloodshed in changing the *régime* and without derangement of the public services or of private property."

Signor Mussolini declared to me that he would himself take the portfolios of Foreign and Home Affairs as well as the Premiership.

"We shall be friends to those who treat us as their friends."

In reply to my question whether there would be great changes in foreign policy, he replied that he believed it would be possible to secure an agreement even with the Yugo-slavs. It was imperative to form bonds of friendship with nations possessing stores of raw materials. He would pursue a policy of dignity, expansion, and equilibrium, and would seek out fresh lands for emigration, particularly in South America and Australia.

He hoped to be able to send Italian workmen to help in the rebuilding of Smyrna and he was alive to the possibilities of emigration to Asia Minor. As to internal affairs he would *pursue a policy of law and order.* It would be unnecessary to pass special laws. It would be enough strictly to enforce those already existing. It would, above everything, be necessary to cut off the superfluous branches of the tree of State.

He hoped that it might be possible later to admit the Moderate Socialists into the Government, but that was at present impossible. He concluded his speech by announcing that the Government would take an oath of *allegiance to the King this evening.*

The impression created by the new Prime Minister is essentially one of strength. Signor Mussolini's chin will become famous throughout the world. He smiles but rarely, speaks slowly, and says little, but speaks without hesitation. His eyes are black and very expressive. He looks far younger than his 48 years and answers exactly to the description of him given me by an American friend:- "A Napoleon turned pugilist."

A few *incidents* occurred last night at the Piazza d'Italia and the Porta Trionfale. In a conflict between Fascisti and Communists there were two killed and several wounded. The Fascisti forced the entrances of several munition shops and looted munitions.

The Fascisti military command has issued the strictest orders, invoking calm discipline, and saying that once Signor Mussolini is entrusted with the formation of a Cabinet every act against Government institutions constitutes rebellion against Signor Mussolini. Fascisti troops are expected to enter Rome at any moment.

The Gillick case

From Mrs Elizabeth Benyon

Sir, Dr Warren (October 24) sees himself as the second line of defence where parents have failed. How can he tell, when a 15-year-old girl comes to him for contraceptive advice, whether her parents have failed or not? He sits in judgement on parents without knowing the facts.

Many teenagers are rebellious and impulsive and anti-parent, but this is a perfectly normal temporary state of affairs and does not in any way imply parental failure.

The law should be based on the needs and the good of the majority, i.e., girls with caring families, while loving and sympathetic provision *should be made for the parentless* and unparented.

If a society condones the undermining of the parent/child relationship by its medical profession then it cannot be said to be a caring society. Dr Warren should perhaps look at himself and some of his colleagues when he talks of a Marie Antoinette attitude.

Yours faithfully,
ELIZABETH BENYON,
Englefield House,
Theale,
Berkshire.
October 26.

Time on one's hands

From Mr P. N. O'Donoghue

Sir, Having just corrected an oven clock, two car clocks, a television clock, a telephone clock, a central-heating timer and various other clocks and watches, I have now arrived at work to be faced with a similar array of timepieces, all to be retarded by an hour.

I look back with nostalgia to our winter of British Standard Time. Not only did it avoid the twice-yearly harrowing but with its memories of summer, admirably suited British habits and temperament.

Whatever happened to it?

Yours faithfully,
P. N. O'DONOGHUE,
21 Holyrood Road,
New Barnet, Hertfordshire.
October 28.

COURT AND SOCIAL

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 30: The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips this afternoon visited the Whitecroft-Scovill factory, Lydney to celebrate its 75th Anniversary.

Her Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Gloucestershire (Colonel Martin Gibbs).

The Pricess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips later visited the Remploy factory at Parkend, Lydney.

Mrs Andrew Feilden was in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE
October 30: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and The Prince Edward, Counsellors of State under Her Majesty's Commission, held a Council on behalf of The Queen at 12 o'clock.

There were present: The Viscount Whitelaw (Lord President), the Right Hon John Biffen, MP (Lord Privy Seal), the Right Hon Alick Buchanan-Smith, MP (Minister of State, Department of Energy) and the Right Hon John Stanley, MP (Minister of State for the Armed Forces).

Mr Geoffrey de Deney was in attendance as Clerk of the Council.

The Viscount Whitelaw had an audience of the Counsellors of State before the Council.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 30: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester left RAF Northolt this afternoon in an aircraft of 32 Squadron Royal Air Force to visit Jersey. In the evening Her Royal Highness, as Vice-Patron, was present at the Royal Air Forces Association (Jersey Branch) Diamond Jubilee Dinner at the Grand Hotel, St Helier.

Dame Jean Maxwell-Scott and Sir Simon Bland were in attendance.

The Duke of Gloucester, President, National Association of Boys' Clubs, was present this evening at a Reception held in St James's Palace to mark the Association's Diamond Jubilee.

Major Nigel Chamberlain-Macdonald was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
October 30: Princess Alexandra, Patron of the Tavistock Clinic, this afternoon received Dr Alexis Brook upon retiring as Chairman of the Professional Committee and Dr Anton Obholzer upon assuming this appointment.

The Duke of Atholl will succeed Mr Rupert Murdoch as 1986 President of the Printers' Charitable Corporation.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Rear-Admiral Sir Anthony Miers, VC will be held in St George's Cathedral, Southwark, at 11 am today.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P. Bridgman and Miss E. M. Bartle
The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs H. A. Bridgman, of Berkshire, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mr R. D. Bartle and of Mrs B. G. Bartle, of London.

Mr G. A. Bullivant and Miss S. Spooner
The engagement is announced between George, son of Colonel and Mrs A. S. Bullivant, of Stourton, Wiltshire, and Sarah, daughter of Major G. F. Spooner and the late Mrs Thea Spooner, of Hindon, Wiltshire.

Mr P. R. Campbell and Miss A. J. Moore
The engagement is announced between Roy, only son of Mr and Mrs Stuart Campbell, of Cookham, Berkshire, and Alison, only daughter of Dr and Mrs Michael Moore, of Grittleton, Wiltshire.

Mr J. E. Cheatle and Miss A. P. Fox
The engagement is announced between John Cheatle, of Edgbaston, Birmingham, son of Mr Godfrey Cheatle and the late Mrs Hattie (Pat) Cheatle, of Lichfield, and Adele Fox, of Harborne, eldest daughter of Canon and Mrs Cecil Fox, of Suffolk.

Mr L. A. Jackson and Miss F. A. Pryke
The engagement is announced between Andrew, eldest son of the late Mr Ralph Jackson and Mrs Margaret Jackson, of Hopehay, Cartmel, Cumbria, and Flavia, eldest daughter of Mr Derek Pryke and Mrs Philippa Selby-Green, of Pashley Farm, Ticehurst, East Sussex.

Mr H. T. G. Jones and Miss C. J. Sharpe
The engagement is announced between Huw, only son of Dr and Mrs B. M. G. Jones, of Camberley, Surrey, and Catherine, only daughter of the late Rev J. G. Sharpe and Mrs A. C. Struvé, of Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

Mr D. A. R. Manderson and Miss E. K. Hogan
The engagement is announced between Dallas, only son of Mr and Mrs Timothy Manderson, of Godolphin Road, London, and Emma, only daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Roderick Hogan, of Pembroke Park, Dublin.

Mr J. Nendick and Miss J. Cole
The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mr and Mrs E. C. Nendick, of Bardsey, Leeds, and Janine, third daughter of Mr and Mrs S. Cole, of Los Angeles, California.

Mr G. R. Newey and Miss C. A. C. Neilson
The engagement is announced between Guy Richard, second son of Judge and Mrs John Newey, of Sevenoaks, Kent, and Angela Clare, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Hugh Neilson, of Brimpton, Berkshire.

Mr M. C. Metcalfe and Miss K. A. McWhirter
The engagement is announced between Charles, only son of Mr and Mrs John Metcalfe, of North End, Hamsey, East Sussex, and Kathryn, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Norman McWhirter, of Haddon Road, Bakewell, Derbyshire.

Mr R. A. Morris-Eyton and Miss C. L. Stuttaford
The engagement is announced between Anthony, son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs R. C. G. Morris-Eyton, of Calvington, Newport, Shropshire, and Clare, elder daughter of Mr William Stuttaford, of Moulshams Manor, Great Wigborough, Essex, and Mrs David Watney, of Yew Tree Farm, Stebbing, Essex.

Mr P. T. S. Parsons and Miss A. M. Campion
The engagement is announced between Paul Thomas Serge, elder son of Mr and Mrs T. R. Parsons, of 73 Redington Road, Hampstead, and Alexandra Mary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D. G. Campion, of Littleworth Cottage, Milton Lilbourne, Pewsey, Wiltshire.

Mr T. J. Smith and Miss H. C. Duckworth
The engagement is announced between Timothy John, elder son of Mr and Mrs A. R. Smith, of Ashstead, Surrey, and Helen Christine, second daughter of Dr G. W. and Dr M. W. Duckworth, of London, NW11.

Mr N. S. Stanbury and Miss A. C. Sharland
The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs H. F. Stanbury, of Plymouth, and Angela, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs T. H. A. Sharland, of Benson, Oxford.

Mr S. M. L. Taylor and Miss C. J. Thorpe
The engagement is announced between Stephen Mark Lloyd, only son of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Taylor, of Billericay, Essex, and Caroline Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Thorpe, of Felsted, Essex.

Mr J. Ullens de Schooten and Miss E. R. de Pass
The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Mr Fernand Ullens de Schooten, of Brussels, Belgium, and Mrs Alister Gauntlett, of Apsley, Andover, Hampshire, and Emma, younger daughter of Lieutenant Commander and Mrs Robert de Pass, of New Grove, Petworth, Sussex.

Mr P. D. C. Wigan and Miss S. M. Gilroy
The engagement is announced between Piers, son of Mr and Mrs David Wigan, of Thorpe Abbotts Place, Diss, Norfolk, and Sophie, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian Gilroy, of Noddings Farm, Chiddingfold, Surrey.

The night sky in November

By Our Astronomy Correspondent

Mercury will be at greatest elongation east (23°) on the 8th but will be setting barely an hour after the Sun and is unlikely to be seen. Inferior conjuction on the 28th.

Venus is drawing nearer the Sun and will be rising at about 05h at the beginning of the month and getting later. Close to Spica on the 3rd; Moon approaching it on the 11th.

Mars is still rising between 03h and 04h, a rather inconspicuous object in Virgo. Moon near by to the north of it on the 10th.

Jupiter will still be visible in the early evening but will be lost in the west soon after 20h. Moon in its vicinity on the 17th.

Saturn will be in conjuction with the Sun on the 23rd and is not really observable this month.

Uranus is now lost in the evening twilight.

Neptune sets about two hours after the Sun but will be difficult to locate.

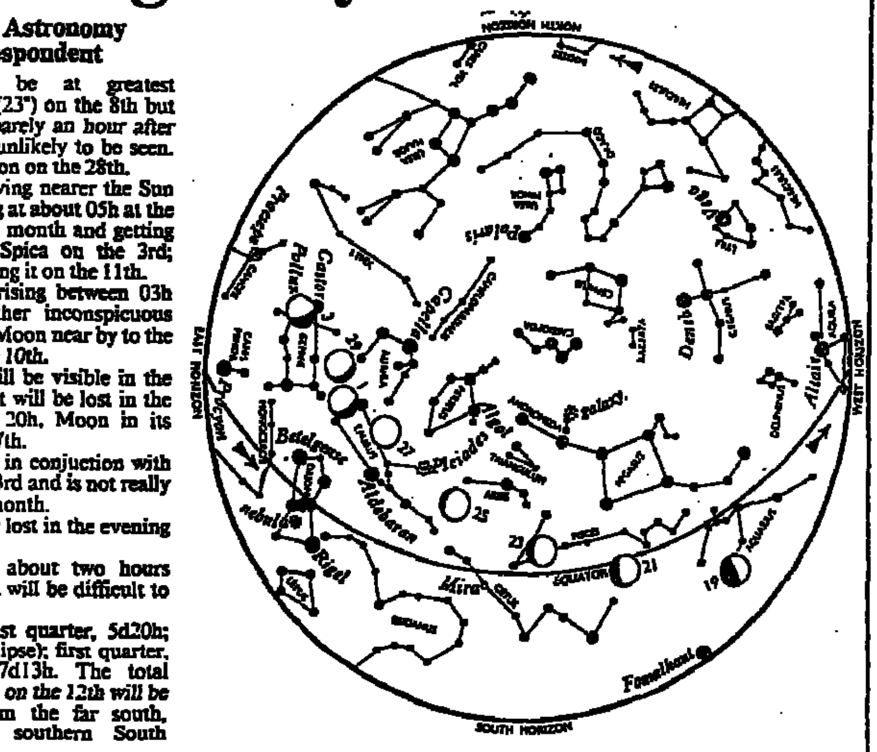
The Moon: last quarter, 5d20h; new, 12d14h (eclipse); first quarter, 19d09h; full, 27d13h. The total eclipse of the Sun on the 12th will be visible only from the far south, Antarctica and southern South America.

Algol: approximate times of evening minima are 8d22h, 11d19h and 28d24h.

This month there will be the possibility of seeing Halley's Comet. Our small scale map is too congested to show the path of the comet, but here are several positions: 7th, the U of the name Taurus; 17th, a little below Pleiades and to the left of the top of Moon 25; 27th, just below the bottom right hand star of Aries.

Maps showing its positions in more detail are given in *The Times* booklet *How to see Halley's Comet* (from bookshops, £1.60). The comet will be no more than a hazy spot, binoculars will be needed, and it will be essential to get away from lighting and stay in the dark for at least 10 minutes.

The Moon is always a pest for comet seekers. New moon in on the 12th, so a night or two about this date will be a good time for observing. When the comet is close to the Pleiades, an ideal guide, on the 16th and 17th the Moon will set at about 20h, but by the 20th it will be about until midnight and more than half phase. The comet will tend to brighten during the month.



The diagram shows the brighter stars that will be above the horizon in the latitude of London at 23h (11pm) at the beginning, 22h (10pm) in the middle and 21h (9pm) at the end of the month, local mean time. At places away from the Greenwich meridian the Greenwich times at which the diagram applies are later than the above by one hour for each 15 deg west of Greenwich and earlier by a like amount if the place be east. The map should be turned so that the horizon the observer is facing (shown by the words around the circle) is at the bottom, the zenith being at the centre. Greenwich Mean Time, known to astronomers as Universal Time and expressed in 24-hour notation, is used in the accompanying notes unless otherwise stated.

This period in mid-November has been chosen for National Atronomy Week. From the 9th to the 16th in many parts of Britain astronomical societies, and institutions such as museums, planetaria and observatories, will be holding special events such as lectures, exhibitions and night-sky gatherings in public parks.

In some cases society members will be inviting the public to look through their telescopes. Such activities are not confined to Halley's Comet, though that was a major factor in the choice of date; the encouragement in astronomy in general is the main purpose.

November is associated with the Leonid meteor shower. Meteors are fragments of matter raised to incandescence as they rush through our atmosphere and have brief lives as "shooting stars". Their orbits in space are similar to those of comets and it is generally accepted that they are debris of comets: two such showers, but not this one, have been linked with Halley's Comet.

The Leonids appear to diverge from the "Sickle" part of Leo and are expected between the 15th and 20th of the month. This is the same period as the Halley watch, but it will be well after midnight by the time the radiant is well clear of the horizon. A good display is very unlikely.

The night sky in general calls for little comment. The triangle of bright stars is getting well to the west and so is Jupiter. The bright constellation of Orion is beginning to appear in the east but will not be conspicuous before midnight.

The south aspect is rather dull, except for Fomalhaut at very low altitude. The star, Mira, shown in our map as an open dot, will not be seen. It is a long period variable star and this month will be at its minimum brightness, well below naked eye visibility.

Birthdays today

Miss Barbara Bel Geddes, 63; Mr Eddie Charlton, 56; Viscount Falmouth, 66; Mr Dick Francis, 65; Professor W. F. Grimes, 80; Mr Alastair Hetherington, 66; Mr H. R. F. Keating, 59; Mr Barrie Keefe, 40; Mr John Keeling, 63; Professor R. F. Mahler, 61; Mr Malise Nicolson, 64; Sir Ernest Oliver, 85; Rear-Admiral M. J. Ross, 77; Lord Rothschild, 75; Mr Jimmy Savile, 59; Sir Edward Snelson, 81; Mr D. M. D. Thomas, 56.

Marriage

Mr E. S. Poyser and Miss M. C. Kaluza
The marriage took place on Saturday October 26, 1985, at St Laurence's church, Cambridge, of Mr Edward Poyser, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Eric Poyser, of Woodborough, Nottinghamshire, and Miss Margaret Kaluza, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Wincenty Kaluza, Bournemouth, Dorset.

Dinners

Printers' Charitable Corporation
Mr Rupert Murdoch, President of the Printers' Charitable Corporation, presided at a dinner held at Grosvenor House last night. The guest speaker was Sir Alastair Burnet. Among those present were:
The Duke of Atholl, Lord Goodman, CH, Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, and Lady Howe, Sir Edward and Lady Pickering, Sir Eric and Lady Cheadle, Dame Anna Neagle, Mr Norman Garrod (chairman, PCC Council), Mr and Mrs Bruce Matthews, Mr and Mrs Robert Maxwell, and Captain and Mrs D J Bradby.

General Council of British Shipping
The President of the General Council of British Shipping, Mr Brian P. Shaw, presided at the annual dinner at the Hilton hotel last night. Mr Norman Tebbit, MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, also spoke, the Secretary of State for Transport, the Minister for Shipping, the First Sea Lord, MPs, representatives of international shipping organizations and HM Forces were among those present.

Latest appointments

Sir Alwyn Williams, FRS, principal of Glasgow University, to be president of the Royal Society of Edinburgh for the ensuing year.

Mr James Stuart-Smith, the Judge Advocate General, to be president of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War.

Mr William Powell, aged 37, MP for Corby, to be Parliamentary Private Secretary to Mr Timothy Raison, Minister for Overseas Development.

Athenaeum to sell its bust of satirist

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

A magnificent baroque marble bust of Alexander Pope, the eighteenth-century British poet and satirist, is to be sold at Christie's on December 13 on behalf of the Athenaeum Club.

The London home from home of the British Establishment was unable yesterday to explain why it had decided to send the poet for sale. The bust has spent more than a hundred years at the club, moving there after the death in 1868 of its former owner, a lawyer called Edward Badeley.

Christie's mentioned a price of about 250,000 for the white marble bust by Michael Rysbrack, which dates from 1730. Thet is, however, a very conservative estimate for a great sculpture. Last April it secured a price of £518,400 for a bust of Lord Chesterfield by Roubilliac, a portrait of a less famous literary figure and a sculpture with less originity and life.

Pope is depicted casually attired in contemporary dress, his curls falling away from a noble brow. While life-size, it is a small bust, more the size of a woman, and underlines his frailty.

The bust of Pope

Pope is said to have hated the bust. Writing in 1734, a Mr Gerard reported that "Pope ordered several pictures and busts of himself, in which he would have been represented as a comely person; but Mr Rysbrack scorning to prostitute his art, made a bust so like him that Pope returned it without paying for it". There is contradictory evidence that the bust had been commissioned by James Gibbs, the architect and a close friend of Pope, but Horace Walpole confirms Mr Gerard's judgement of the bust, writing that it was "very like".

£50,600 for flower panel

A small 17th-century panel painting of flowers soared to an unexpectedly high price at Sotheby's yesterday, selling for £50,600 where only £8,000 to £10,000 had been estimated.

It is signed by a minor artist, Maria van Oosterwyk, and depicts a bouquet of flowers in a glass vase standing on a marble ledge, a pretty picture in good condition. It was bought by a Continental buyer and sets a new auction price record

In the same sale, Leggatt Brothers bought a particularly attractive bird picture for the Tate Gallery, Jan Griffier's "A Turkey and Other Fowl in a Park". It cost them £5,060 (estimate £5,000 to 7,000). The canvas is dated 1710.

The sale of Old Master paintings made £469,535, with 19 per cent unsold, while the afternoon sale of British pictures made £139,535, with 12 per cent unsold.

Memorial Services

Baroness Sharp
A memorial service for Baroness Sharp was held at St Margaret's, Westminster, yesterday. Canon Trevor Beeson officiated. Dame Alix Meynell and Lord Allen of Abbeydale read the lessons and Sir James Jones gave an address. Among those present were:
Mr Bernard Sharp (brother), Mr Michael Harris, Mrs G Latham, Miss May Sharp, Mrs Nicholas Sharp, Mr and Mrs Jack Rendle, Mr Paul Rendle, Mr Howard Sharp.

The Earl of Selkirk, QC, Earl Jellicoe, Lord Bancroft, Lord Congleton, Baroness Burton of Coventry, Lady Allen of Abbeydale, Lord Diamond (leader of the Social Democratic Party), Baroness Seear (representing the Liberal peers), Lord and Lady Sainsbury, Lady Redcliffe-Maud, Lord Hill of Luton, Lord and Lady Trend, Lady Duncan-Sandys, Lady Hastings, Lord Aylestone, Lord Mellish, Mr Roy Jenkins, MP, Mr Enoch Powell, MP, Sir Frederick Corfield, QC, the Hon William Plowden (Royal Institute of Public Administration), Lady (James) Jones, Sir Peter Harrop, Lady Dowson, Sir Peter Mursell, Sir Gervas Walker (Association of County Councils), Sir William Murrie, Sir Alan Dawtry, Sir Antony Part, Lady Lee, Sir Alexander and Lady Johnston, Sir Edward Playfair, Sir George Moseley, Sir Robin Vanderfelt (Commonwealth Parliamentary Association) and Lady Vanderfelt, Sir Desmond Heap, Sir James Swaffield, Sir Sydney and Lady Caine, Sir Charles Cunningham, Sir Stephen and Lady Luke, Sir James Waddell, Sir Henry and Lady Hardman.

Mr T M Heiser (Department of the Environment), Mrs N Nester-Smith (London and Quadrant Housing Trust), Mr John Thompson (IBA), Mr W R Warrington (Association of District Councils), Mr P M Vine (Commission for the New Towns), Mr Philip Daniel (Town and Country Planning Association), Mr Wyndham Thomas (Inner City Enterprises), Mr Dillwyn Miles (National Association of Local Councils), Mr J Pincombe (New Towns Association), Mr Clifford Dann (Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors), Mr G Ellerton (Local Government Boundary Commission), Mr D R Fryer (Royal Town Planning Institute), Mr D G M Roberts and Mr J Droingoole (Institution of Civil Engineers), Mr C W Smith (chief executive, Suffolk County Council, representing the Society of Local Authorities Chief Executives and Association of County Chief Executives).

Mr A Fletcher (National Federation of Housing Associations), Mr John Evans (Housing Corporation), Mr John Palmer (Department of Transport), Mr C H de Waal, (Second Parliamentary Counsel), Professor B Keith-Lucas (University of Kent at Canterbury), Professor R Stonehouse (Manchester University), Miss A Mueller (Somerville College, Oxford), Mrs M E Parsons (University Women's Club), Miss Susan Lee (St Paul's Girls' School), Mrs P Bradley (St Paul's League), Captain G H Stanning, RN (Marlborough College), Miss J Hope-Wallace, Mr Matthew Jones, Mrs L Prentice, Mr and Mrs K Hawkins, Miss Ruth Ritson, Mrs Rosemary Melling, Miss P Tindale, Mr Stephen Rhodes, Mr Robert Willis, Miss Ann Cornford, Mrs Mary Gillie, Mr W Pearson, Mr Wilfred Meynell, Miss Alice Meynell, Mr Robert Vigars, Dr Vivian Lipman, Miss H E Clinkard (Fawcett Society).

Judge Hughes, Mrs J Wright, Mr E Osmotherley, Mr Ian Niven, Mr R Brain, Mr K Davey, Mr F Osborn, Mr and Mrs P H Katz, Mr A C Hetherington, Mr A R Atherton (Civil Service Medical Aid Association), Mr and Mrs C H Spens, Dr Stanley Vince, the Rev John and Mrs Graham, Mrs N K Trenaman, Mr J Margetson, Mr Sandy Isserlis, Miss Kathleen Halpin, Mr Geoffrey Godber, Mr Philip Critchley, Mrs S North, Mr and Mrs J L Guise, and Mr A Sylvester Evans.

Major Sir Derrick Gunston
A memorial service for Major Sir Derrick Gunston was held in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks, yesterday. The Rev J. Neville Thomas officiated. Mr John Gunston, grandson, and Major-General Philip Tower read the lessons. The Bishop of Lincoln gave an address. Among those present were:
Evelyn, Lady Gunston (widow), Sir Richard Gunston (son), Mr and Mrs Jonathan Peel (grandchildren), Victoria Peel (great-granddaughter), Lord and Lady Fairfax of Cameron, Sonia, Lady Fairfax of Cameron, the Hon Hugh and Mrs Fairfax, the Hon Rupert Fairfax, Mr and the Hon Mrs Robert Bell, Mr and Mrs A Stanley Clarke, Colonel and Mrs Walter Luttrell.

Earl and Countess St Aldwyn, the Countess of Lisburne, Lord Coleraine, Lord Brabazon of Tara, the Hon Lady Vanneck, the Hon Mrs Raymond Seymour, the Hon Robert Boscawen, MP, and Mrs Boscawen, the Hon Nicholas Assheton (Pitt Club), Major Sir George FitzGerald, Major-General Sir Robert Pigot (Royal Yacht Squadron) and Lady Pigot, Lady Maxwell-Scott, Sir Peter Agnew, Lady West.

Sir Reginald Bennett, Sir Reginald and Lady Secondé, Mr and the Hon Mrs John Green, Mr C P Butler (Royal Isle of Wight Cultural Association), Major S J H Lloyd, Colonel W W Mahon (Regimental Lieutenant-Colonel, Irish Guards), Brigadier D M L Gordon-Watson (representing the Colonel of the Irish Guards), Mr Jonathan Janson (Commodore, Bembridge Redwing Club), Mr C Macpherson (Smith and Williamson), Mr John Cope, MP (Treasurer of HM Household), Mrs T Eugster, Mr and Mrs Denys Peel, Mr Hugo Peel, Mr David Colville, Mr Robin Colville, Mr Philip Colville, Mrs Philip Tower, Colonel J A Aylmer, Major A B Mainwaring-Burton, Mr Jeremy Mainwaring-Burton, Mrs C H Tidbury, and Mr William Mallinson.

Basketmakers' Company

The Basketmakers' Company held its annual service at St Margaret Pattens, Eastcheap, yesterday. The Rev Dr Gordon Huelin, honorary chaplain, officiated and gave an address. The Prime Warden, Sir William Harris, read the lesson.

At a court meeting later Mr Edward Darlow was elected Master for the ensuing year and invested by Sir William. Mr Alec D. M. Sorrell was elected Junior Warden and Mr Dennis Farrier appointed Clerk on the retirement of Mr Bernard Stroulger.

Distillers' Company

At an installation court meeting held at Brewers' Hall last night Mr Norman Ritchie was installed as Master of the Distillers' Company for the ensuing year. Mr Charles Minoprio, Mr Alan Burrough and Mr Terence Torfield were appointed Wardens.

White Knights Ball

The White Knights Ball will be held at Grosvenor House on Friday, January 6, 1986. Application for tickets should be made to Mr Andrew Murray or Miss Giovanna Forte on 01 937 6278 or 01 350 0887.

OBITUARY

MR HUGH BURROUGHES

Pioneer aviation engineer

Mr Hugh Burroughes, FRAeS, CEng, who died at High Wycombe on October 3 at the age of 101, was one of the very few surviving pioneers of the formative years of British aviation before the First World War. He was a wise, modest and kindly man who, for fifty years, exerted a major influence on the shaping of the British aircraft industry – from the time of the DH 2 fighter of 1915 to the first British jet aircraft.

He was one of the two founders of the Gloster Aircraft Company in 1917.

Hugh Burroughes was born at Cley-next-the-Sea in Norfolk on December 22, 1883. He won a scholarship to the King Edward VI Middle School in Norwich and from there trained as an electrical engineer at the Manchester School of Technology.

He began work in London as a junior technical assistant with O'Gorman and Cozen-Hardy, consulting engineers. When Mervyn O'Gorman was appointed Chief Superintendent of the Army balloon factory at Farnborough in 1909 he took Burroughes with him as technical assistant.

His translation of the instruction manuals of Farman Aircraft and Gnome Engines brought him into contact with George Holt-Thomas who held the Farman and Le Rhone licences and led to Burroughes's appointment, in March, 1914, as general manager and director of the Hendon-based Aircraft Manufacturing Company (Airco) building Farman aircraft.

"HB" was the major force in contriving Geoffrey de Havilland's move from Farnborough to become Airco's chief designer.

During the First World War "HB" master-minded the production of nearly 4,000 de Havilland/Airco aircraft from the DH 2 to the DH 10, including from 1915, substantial numbers built by H. H. Martyn & Co of Cheltenham.

In 1917 "HB" and A. W. Martyn formed the Gloucestershire Aircraft Company with a capital of £10,000 to acquire the Martyn aircraft business with Holt-Thomas, Martyn and Burroughes on its board. By the spring of 1918 the new company was building 45 aircraft a week.

When, in 1920, British aircraft manufacture touched its lowest point, Holt-Thomas sold Airco and closed the Hendon works. Burroughes, with David Longden acquired the rights to the Nieuport Nighthawk fighter and with them Nieuport's chief designer, Harry Folland, late of Farnborough.

A succession of more advanced aircraft were developed by the (more easily pronounced) Gloster Aircraft Company, culminating in 1923, with an order for 133 Gloster Grebe fighters for the Royal Air Force.

The Grebe led on to the Gamecock and in 1934, to the all-metal Gloster Gauntlet and then from 1935 to the Gladiator.

Burroughes was in the forefront of all this, as he was in the development of the first British variable-pitch propeller; of Gloster's series of racing seaplanes for Schneider Trophy contests; and Gloster's production of large numbers of Hawker Hart variants

This latter work led, with the expansion of the RAF, to the takeover of Glosters by Hawker Aircraft and, in 1935, to the formation of the Hawker Siddeley Aircraft Group, of which Gloster was a component with Hugh Burroughes on the board as deputy managing director.

During the Second World War the Gloster company built large numbers of the group's aircraft from Hurricanes to Typhoons and, on May 15, 1941, flew the first British jet aircraft, the Gloster Whittle E28/39 which led on to the production of more than 4,000 Gloster jet aircraft (Meteors and Javelins) between 1941 and 1961 when the company became part of the Avro-Whitworth Division of Hawker Siddeley Aviation.

"HB" continued as an active member of the board of the group until 1966.

Hugh Burroughes was one of the great – but unassuming – men of British aviation. With a sound engineering background and a dedicated belief in the aeronautical business, he had a gift for selecting the right industrial course to pursue.

In his quiet way he eschewed the limelight for himself. Hence, he never received the honours which, many would agree, should justly have been his.

MR CHARLES DOUGLAS-HOME

Sir Laurens van der Post writes:

I shall be grateful if you would allow me to add to the record of Charles Douglas-Home's life that you published yesterday. He was so rare a friend and so remarkable a human being.

These qualities seem to me to spring from one simple yet profound source: it never occurred to him to pretend to be anything which he was not. In all the years I knew him he seemed to me always to be simply as nature had disposed him to be.

He was one of the most truly vocational newspapermen that I have known in some 60 years of association with journalism. He truly believed, as I do, that the renewal and the health of democracy depended profoundly on the qualities of newspapers and their reporting of events. He clung to that despite the personal brutality, heartlessness and callous imprecision of some pictures painted by the press so persistently of him and with such unrepenting malice over the years. He simply refused to be insulted, soured or blunted.

Another consequence of this fundamental quality of his was that it gave him his great love of nature and of family. It also made him a native of the forgotten dimension of religion; a leading article he wrote some two years ago called The Way of the Cross was one of the most remarkable leading articles and one of the most urgent ever published in a daily newspaper.

One is often tempted to think that if the illness from which he died had not assailed him almost from the moment he became Editor of *The Times* it would have made him an even greater editor, but on reflection the fact that an illness which on many occasions over the last three years seemed to take him over the frontier of life gave what he did an edge and a depth which no normal health and career could have done.

I am certain that the way in which his wife Jessica and their two sons kept him company through this painful time helped him as it impressed an onlooker and friend like myself.

When I saw him last to say goodbye I was impressed by his look of having left no unfinished business in life. Even then he teased me about being a native. But as a native of Africa I would like to say what natives in my part of Africa say on these occasions of men like him: "We see you, we praise you, and we thank you".

Sir William Rees-Mogg writes:

Might I add to your excellent obituary a note about Charles Douglas-Home's work as a war correspondent?

The Times has had a long line of distinguished war correspondents and Charles Douglas-Home was one of the best of them. His despatches on the 1967 war in the Middle East and the Russian invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968 had all the merits of his character. They were direct, vivid and accurate, and above all they were courageous.

He was a front-line correspondent, who never hesitated to risk his life – or indeed his liberty – in order to report what was happening from direct and close personal observation. When he was captured by the Russians in 1968 it was because he saw some stationary Russian tanks and simply walked over to have a look at them – the Russians, not surprisingly, thought he must be a spy.

It was the readers of *The Times* who benefitted from his persistence.

Charles was only briefly a soldier, but he would have made a very good one if it had been his career. He had the soldierly virtues – not only the courage which was so outstanding in his last years – but a total loyalty to his regiment, in this case *The Times*, on which all who worked with him could rely.

Nothing did more to support the paper during the crisis of the stoppage in the late Thomson period than his combination of a resilient sense of fun and steadiness under pressure. They were the qualities which made his great and deserved success as an editor.

I. G. writes:

Charlie Douglas-Home lived for 48 years – longer than many, but a good deal less than we have come to expect in times of peace.

Throughout these last years, when he had reached the peak of his career, and had achieved the goal which he had set himself early in life, he was close to death. The skill of the doctors was great: But the courage of their patient was greater still.

Now he is gone, leaving a legacy of valour and the memory of a prince of friends.

Science report

Towards herbicide-resistant crops

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Engineering of plant strains to create varieties of crops that are resistant to weed-killing herbicides has attracted much attention over the years. But there has been little practical progress.

Now two advances by scientists engaged in different lines of fundamental research have shown the way for the creation of crops with in-built protection against herbicides, which although potent enough to destroy weeds pose no hazard to animals.

The research with the wider implications for plant breeding came from the study of characteristics that might ensure a longer growing season for some plants and a higher tolerance to dry spells by others made during experiments at Essex University described in *Plant, Cell and Environment*.

The other studies made at the Calgene research laboratories at Davis, California, and presented in the current issue of *Nature*, involve the direct transfer of genetic material from a strain of bacteria into the germ cells of plants.

In that way the plant is endowed with the biochemical control that should enable it to neutralize the action whereby a particular widely used type of agrochemical destroys plants through their foliage that should enable it to neutralize the action whereby a particular widely used type of agrochemical destroys plants through their foliage.

The broader investigation by biologists and biochemists working with Dr Neil Baker, of Essex University, came from exploring the intricate steps that occur in the mechanism of photosynthesis. A special way was devised for monitoring the reactions taking place in the leaves of plants, ranging from wheat, maize and peas to tomatoes while they were growing in the field.

The method depends on a well known phenomenon that when sunlight is trapped by chlorophyll pigment in the leaves, not all the light is transformed into chemical energy in the first stage of the process of photosythensis. A tiny proportion of the energy is released back to the air because the chlorophyll fluoresces, emitting a tiny amount of red light.

The Essex team has developed an instrument allowing fluoresence to be stimulated and measured at the same time as a plant is in the full glare of natural white light.

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7th Armoured Division
Major-General G. P. B. Roberts presided at the annual dinner of the 7th Armoured Division Officers Club held at the Naval and Military Club last night. Among those present were:
Field Marshal Lord Harding of Petherton, General Sir Thomas Pearson, General Sir Martin Farndale, Lieutenant-General Sir John Cowley, Major-Generals Sir Cecil Smith, Sir Brian Wyldbore-Smith, G Armitage, R Broke, J Cowley, R Dixon, M Forrester, D Gordon, P Hobart and A Lascelles, and Dr Brian Bertram.

Receptions

Anglo-Argentine Society
A reception was held at the Royal Society of Arts last night in honour of Professor H. S. Ferns after he delivered the 1985 Jorge Luis Borges Lecture of the Anglo-Argentine Society. Viscount Montgomery of Alamein, president of the society, Viscountess Montgomery, and Mr Robin Majdalany, chairman, received the guests.

National Association of Boys' Clubs
The Duke of Gloucester, President of the National Association of Boys' Clubs, was present at a reception held at St James's Palace last night to mark the diamond jubilee of the association.

THE LATE MR TERRY DUFFY; PRESIDENT, AMALGAMATED UNION OF ENGINEERING WORKERS

A MEMORIAL REQUIEM MASS FOR MR TERRY DUFFY WILL TAKE PLACE IN WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL AT NOON ON TUESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER.

THE PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT WILL BE HIS EMINENCE CARDINAL BASIL HUME O.S.B., ARCHBISHOP OF WESTMINSTER.

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An industry awaiting orders

The recession-hit construction industry is trying to put a brave face on its continuing ill fortunes while stepping up its campaign for increased capital spending by central government. The Group of Eight, the lobby which represents the employers, unions and professions, has many times pleaded its case with the Treasury, successive Environment ministers and even the Prime Minister. The response has always been slight.

All the evidence supports the industry case that it has been hard done by. No one denied that greater expenditure is needed, nor that it would dramatically reduce unemployment.

Just how badly it has fared was disclosed in the National Economic Development office report, *British Industrial Performance*, published last month. Construction in Britain has suffered the most pronounced decline of the 10 major industrial sectors in all EEC countries. Between 1972 and 1982 the industry contracted by an average of more than two per cent a year, nearly three times the rate in West Germany.

Kenneth Baker, the Secretary of State for the Environment, is seen as the strongest ally since Michael Heseltine's rule over Marsham Street. His impressive campaign for increased spending of £600 million in 1986-87 on council-house repairs – the total bill is now estimated at more than £20 billion – has endeared him to the industry. Carefully leaked reports suggest that he will be lucky to get half that when the matter is raised at next Thursday's Cabinet meeting.

But even the £20 billion figure must be seen in the light of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities' housing consultative committee's findings. The AMA says it will cost £62 billion to solve the housing crisis: £25 billion for repairs, rehabilitation and improvement in the public sector, £22 billion in the private sector and £15 billion for 517,000 new homes.

Housing is, of course, just one sector which has been very badly hit by cutbacks. Educational buildings and hospitals share its plight, with a huge backlog of repairs needed; there are marked regional differences in the state of water supply and sewers; while roads have fared comparatively well. Civil-engineering projects generally have been at the sharp end of cuts, reaching a post-1973 trough in 1981. Since then they have improved very modestly.

After the publication last January of the NEDO report, *Investment in the Public Sector: Built Infrastructure*, the Building EDC has taken initiatives to promote new industrial building. Recovery has been led by commercial property, particularly office and retail development. That situation is unlikely to change in the foreseeable future, as John Turner, president of the Building Employers Confederation agrees.

The construction industry 1984

Total output: £26,203 million

	£ million
● New York	
New public housing	1,077
New private housing	3,831
Public works	3,833
Private industrial building	2,342
Private commercial	3,110
Total	£14,192
● Repair and maintenance	
Housing (public and private)	6,251
Public non-housing	3,746
Private non-housing	2,014
Total	£12,011

Overall contribution to Gross Domestic Product, 9 to 10 per cent

Sources: Department of the Environment and Central Statistical Office

He says: "While turnover has risen marginally on last year, there is no sign of growth.

"It is a great disappointment as a lot of work needs to be done. Public sector buildings are splitting at the seams".

As it is, cut-throat competition between contractors has led to slender margins of profitability. There have been cases of 25 firms competing in tenders for small contracts worth £100,000 and builders, as always, head the league table for bankruptcies each year.

One answer has been for the industry to market itself more vigorously. Firms have moved into property development, building materials and house-building, once handled by the smallest local contractors.

The BEC has spent around £100,000 on a publicity campaign, producing five reports and a videotape spotlighting the country's needs in different sectors, and a further £50,000 is budgeted. The strategy is to leapfrog the Government and lobby through the 10,000 BEC members at grass-root level and among MPs. The message to the Government will continue to be that capital spending on construction is also labour-intensive, a cheap method of getting people off the dole, jobs cost about £23,000 each in building, less than £10,000 each in civil engineering, which tends to be less labour-intensive. So the final figure arrived at in Cabinet for housing expenditure alone could mean a dramatic immediate benefit in terms of employment and political self-interest.

The Minister, talking to house-builders earlier this month, stressed that the bulk of future work lies in inner-city regeneration: "The challenges do not lie in developing acres of green fields", he said. "The real challenges are. . .the inner-city site, the infill site, the warehouse renovation, the office refurbishment". Construction had picked up on several fronts since the 1981 low: 30 per cent more capital spending on roads since 1978, repairs on schools up by 13.5 per cent between 1981 and 1984, and 87,000 local-authority dwellings renovated last year, the highest total in any year since 1973.

Unless the beleagured construction industry is prepared to try out a range of formulae for increasing capital expenditure, there is little chance that its hopes will be realized. Only a complete about-face by the Government could change its fortunes.

Charles Knevitt
Architecture Correspondent

At street level: Mrs Thatcher (top right) examines the site at Liverpool Street, City of London (above). She has called for a greater contribution from private builders

The big push for more houses

The main burden of building homes for Britain's growing and changing population in recent years has fallen on the private building industry.

The figures for the way in which houses have been provided clearly show this transformation: in 1975, the public sector provided 174,000 dwellings compared with 149,000 from the private sector, giving a total of 323,000.

Five years later, in 1980, the figures were 56,000 from the public sector and 98,000 from private builders, showing both the decline of the public sector and the overall drop in house-building. By last year, the private sector was building 152,000 out of a total of 190,000 leaving the public sector with a paltry 38,000.

Private builders have been trying to fill the gap left by the local authorities' reductions in their house-building programme, and doing their best to satisfy the call from Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and the Conservative Government for a greater private sector contribution in increasing not only house-building but home ownership.

With constraints caused by a shortage of capital and land, as well as planning restrictions, it is not surprising that more houses are being built by fewer builders, as they have the resources which enable them to do so. National House-Building Council registrations show the top 10 companies account for about one-third of private housing output compared with less than one-fifth 10 years ago.

Barratt, which has been building the most houses, Wimpey and others have tried to redress the balance. But are they building a sufficient number of houses and flats for Britain's needs for the end of the century?

A study on both public and private sectors of the housing field, published by the Housing Research Foundation, suggests that for the period 1984 to 1991 there is a need for 220,000 units annually, made up of 60,000 to 80,000 new houses to cater for demolition, geographic shift of industry and other factors, and about 145,000 new houses to cater for the growing number of new households.

One of the factors is the need to provide for the still increasing number of home-owners. A combination of natural aspir-

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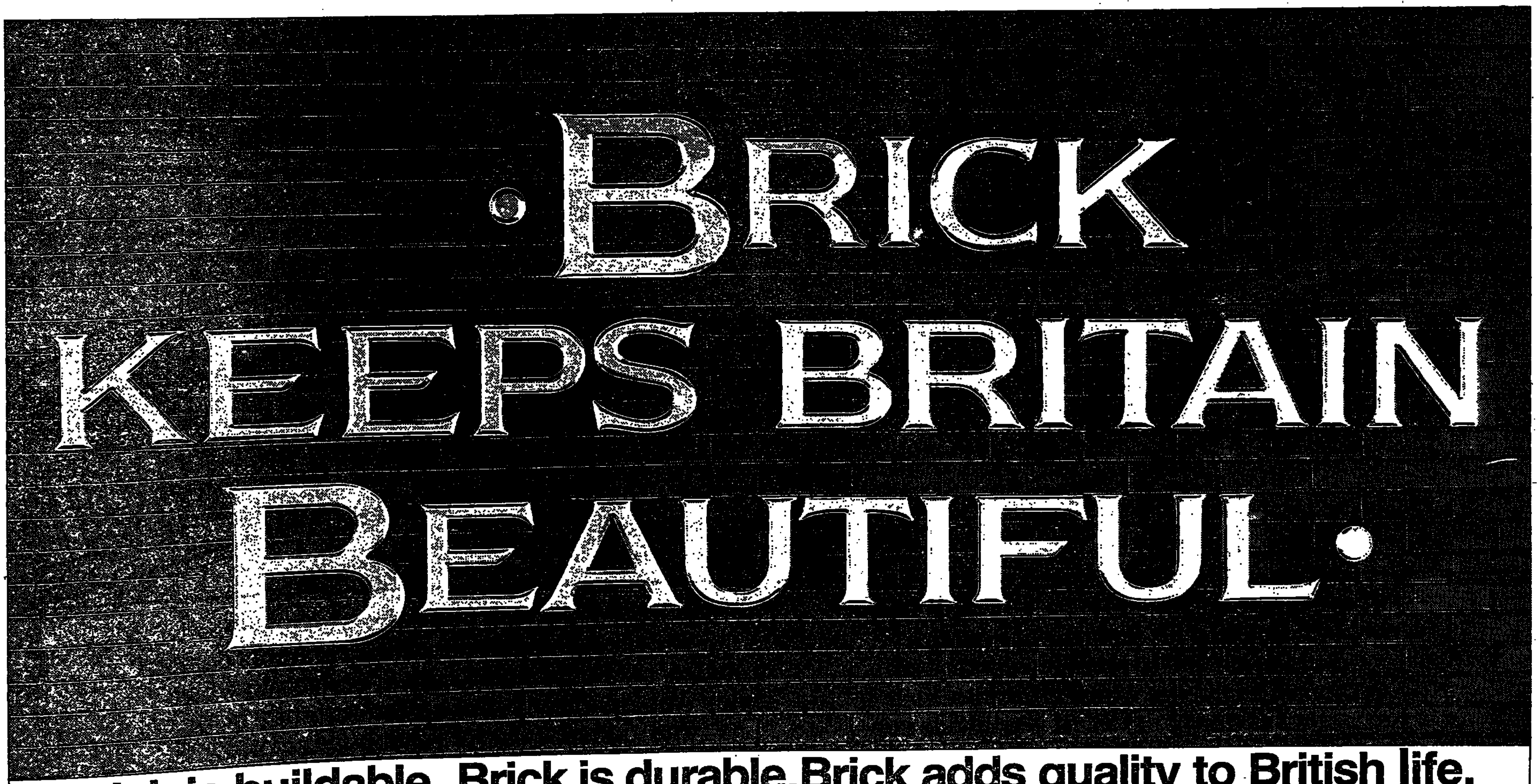

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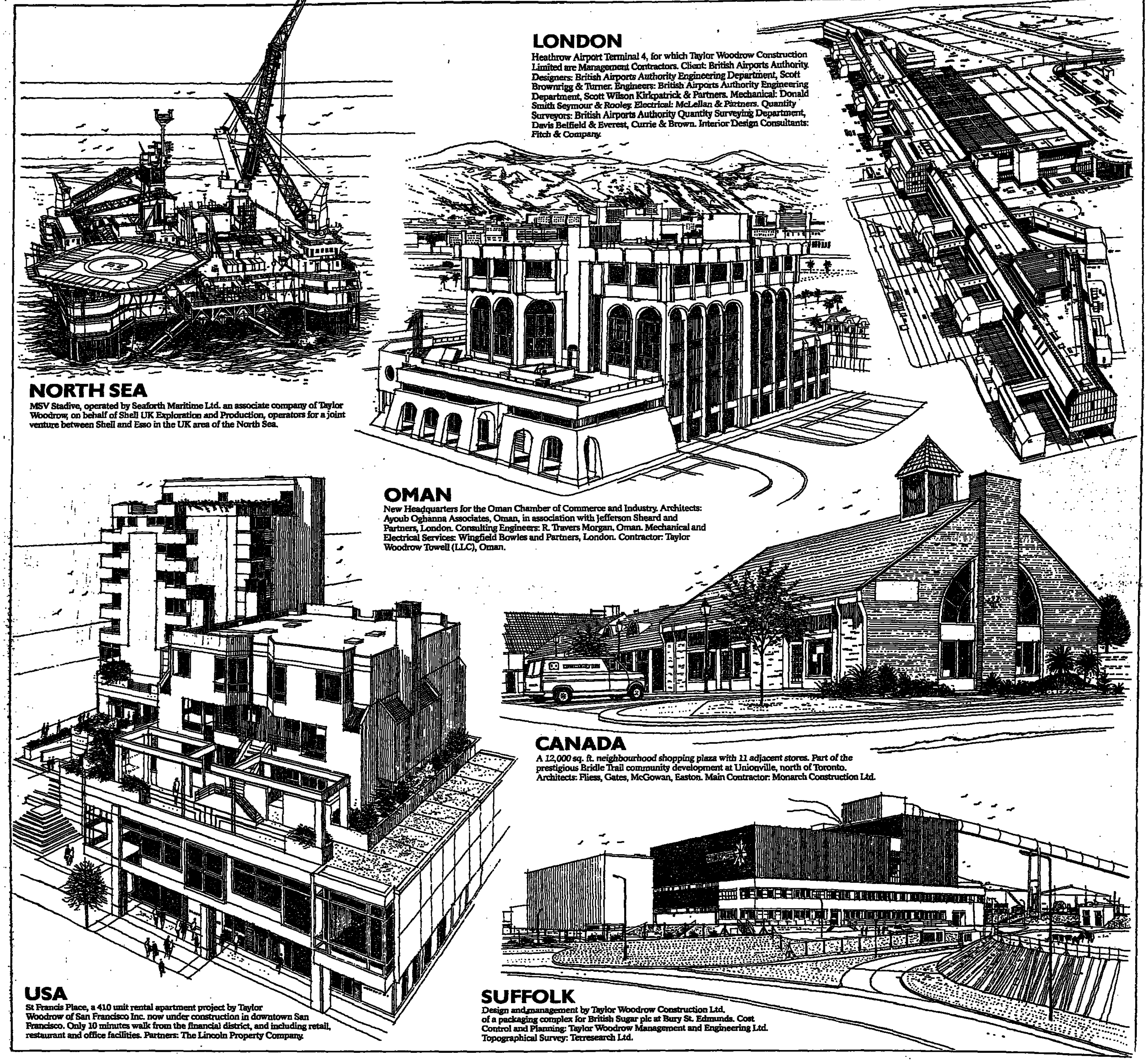

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The people who said yes to the impossible

Many of the spectacular and costly mistakes made in the construction industry in recent years could have been avoided if information available during the process of design and building had been applied. Bridging the gap between theory and practice is the primary role of the Construction Industry Research and Information Association through its research and publications.

CIRIA, virtually unknown outside the industry, is celebrating its silver jubilee this autumn even though it started out as the Civil Engineering Research Council, under the aegis of the Institution of Civil Engineers and similar groups. Its present name dates from 1967 and two years later it spawned the Underwater Engineering Group.

But its low public profile (though not through choice) does not mask the important contribution it has made. Dr Leslie Blake, director of research from 1967 and director of the association since 1977, is a civil engineer who has been involved in its work since its first beginnings and is in no doubt about its successes.

He told *Construction News Magazine* this month, that 25 years ago the idea of building the NatWest Tower – Britain's, and Europe's, tallest building – on London clay would have been unthinkable. And without CIRIA's research – which started with a study of arch dams – perhaps we would not have built the Victoria Dam.

As those involved in the everyday hassles of building know well, there is no shortage of information on the myriad different interests which go to make up the industry. Sound, concise and readily accessible advice is another matter. The relevance of its research programme, and the dissemination of the information from its committees is assured, however, in the method adopted.

All the committees are made up of members' representatives and research contracts put out to tender to specialists institutes, contractors and university departments.

Each member is in effect, a shareholder, and the association enjoys collaboration of "an exceptional and extraordinary order", says Dr Blake. "People always respond as if it were a royal command".

Over the years about 400 reports and technical publications have been produced, 22 of them in the last year. Topics have included materials movement, energy and sound insulation, the safety of trenching techniques, the use of large-diameter bored piles, management contracting, pipejacking, gas explosions, sea walls and the possible damage caused by grit scouring due to the velocity of throughput in sewers. Yet Dr Blake is at pains to point out: "No project is finished with the publication of a report, only when its lessons are applied".

Very often the principal client is a government department, the results of its work incorporated in codes of practice, British Standards and specifications. Relationships with government have sometimes been strained, though, firstly over the need for long-term research, as there is always the temptation to look for immediate applications; and over the level of financial support it receives from this sector.

Towering achievement: Dr Leslie Blake, civil engineer and director of CIRIA: Twenty-five years ago the NatWest building, right, could not have been built on its clay base

In 1962 the then Department of Science and Industrial Research started to give grant-aid by matching pound for pound the amount raised through members' subscriptions. Today such a system does not exist, although the Department of the Environment does fund specific projects amounting to about 20 per cent of its annual budget.

"Research pays," says Dr Blake. "In the long term it actually costs more money not to do research". CIRIA maintains a close working relationship with the Government's Building Research Establishment while their respective roles remain distinct.

Present projects include the effect of fire on structures, permanent formwork for floors, the demolition of prestressed concrete structures, quality assurance in large projects (such as nuclear power stations and offshore engineering), and piling in contaminated and undermined sites. The performance of concrete in marine environments, especially the problems in their repair and maintenance, and coastal engineering (funded by the DOE and Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries) are other areas.

Buildability, the industry's buzz-word for planning and design to save time and cost in building projects, is receiving special attention as the need to complete jobs on time and on budget is becoming a major factor in the clients' decision of which contractor to appoint and whether to build at all.

The traditionally conservative industry is also adopting new techniques of presentation: a computer game for planned materials handling and control to help purchasing policy, and a video on trenching practice.

In its early days, research was concentrated on the civil engineering, or "heavy" side of the industry, but the balance has gradually been redressed in favour of building. Several recent studies have been aimed at helping British contractors compete in and deal with overseas contracts, in the face of ever-growing competition from countries such as South Korea.

The likely impact of the introduction of robotics and new information systems are further areas for exploration, but as always the emphasis will be very much on the end-use of its findings.

The construction industry has been hit harder than most in the present recession as it is always the soft option to cutback on capital projects. Contractors, consultants, local authorities, colleges and universities, manufacturers and suppliers, public and institutional clients which comprise the membership, have suffered severe financial setbacks which at one time threatened the future of the association.

Annual turnover has been maintained at about £16 million thanks to a membership drive and a dramatic increase in subscribers. Memberships have grown from 60 in 1960 to more than 600 at present, and the recent rate of increase has been running at five a week.

A newsletter, published six times a year, keeps members in touch with its work and has a much wider circulation, 6,000 individuals. All members receive several copies of reports. Dr Blake is particularly pleased at the number of architects now joining the ranks of subscribers, though whether this is due to enlightenment or self-preservation against rampaging litigation and professional indemnity premiums as much as quadrupling in the immediate past, is a matter for conjecture.

A common complaint in industry generally is that people are drowned in information but starved of knowledge upon which to act. CIRIA's role in construction seems assured for as long as it continues to provide a service based on the production of practical knowledge which has, as its hallmark, quality and not simply quantity.

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Charles Knevitt

Fierce competition for few contracts

The Building and Construction "Little Neddy" looks forward to a "mixture of modest growth and subdued expectations" in the 1990s.

No wonder, then, that construction firms have been diversifying into coal-mining, offshore production drilling and management contracting since the mid 1970s.

There have been major contracts – the Heathrow Airport developments, the Piccadilly line underground extension, redevelopment at the London Docks, and construction of large hospitals – but Michael Noar, director of external affairs at the Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors, is looking for something new.

Does that mean Severn Barrage or a Channel Tunnel? They remain prospects – but not for the immediate future because of the scale, source and complexity of the finance required.

Frank Gibbs, chairman and chief executive of Taylor Woodrow, which is a member of Channel Tunnel Group consortium, argues that private money could be found by the use of Revenue Bonds.

Mowlem chairman Philip Beck, whose company took a strategic decision not to get involved in a tunnel project, has strong doubts. What, he argues, if the tunnel was built and was under-cut on price by the shipowners.

"Somebody would have to pick up the tab, and that could mean the Government, which means the taxpayer," he says.

While that argument rages, companies are operating in a fiercely competitive market. Among the large contractors, Taylor Woodrow's civil engineering turnover this year is in the region of £31 million, with an additional £43 million in the nuclear industry; Costains volume of work in road construction and building in the United Kingdom is about £145 million.

There are several major projects not in the same league as the projected Channel tunnel – coming from such areas as the London Dockland Development Corporation, office developments, the M25 construction, new hospitals and housing.

Michael Hatfield

Worst government leak

Water, water everywhere. Britain is losing about a third of its capacity through leaking mains. That, say civil engineering and building contractors, could be rectified by more capital spending on the country's 318,000 kilometres of deteriorating water mains.

It is a criticism common to other areas of the nation's infrastructure as the Government declares its intention to reduce public sector capital investment by £2.6 billion – more than 12 per cent in real terms – between 1984-85 and 1987-88.

Contractors are not levelling all the blame on the present government because the decaying process has been happening during the past two decades at least.

What the industry is asking for is a greater urgency in rectifying this situation.

These are the latest figures (1983) on capital investment work.

Road	£1,335m
Rail	£166m
Other transport **(Ports, Harbours etc)**	£179m
Water	£302m
Sewerage	£466m
Gas	£255m
Electricity	£555m
Communications (Post Office, ***British Telecom*****)**	£174m
TOTAL	£3,432m

Why housebuilding slumped

HOUSEBUILDING IN GREAT BRITAIN

	Starts (thousands)			Completions (thousands)		
	Public	Private	Total	Public	Private	Total
1975	173.8	149.1	322.9	162.3	150.8	313.0
1976	170.8	154.7	325.4	163.0	152.2	315.2
1977	132.1	134.8	266.9	162.5	140.8	303.3
1978	107.4	157.3	264.7	130.7	149.0	279.8
1979	81.2	144.0	225.1	104.0	140.5	244.5
1980	56.4	98.8	155.2	106.9	127.5	234.4
1981	37.2	116.7	153.9	84.7	114.2	198.9
1982	52.8	140.5	193.3	50.1	123.9	174.0
1983	47.6	169.8	217.4	50.5	144.3	194.8
1984	39.5	154.2	193.7	49.7	153.8	203.5

Some figures have been "rounded out"

Source: Department of the Environment

The grim fact is that public sector house building is at its lowest level since the 1920s, down this year perhaps to 30,000 in Engand and 40,000 in *Great Britain*.

This is the result of steady cutbacks in housing allocations by the Government as it pursued its campaign to reduce public expenditure, although it would have wished to avoid this situation.

In addition, some 500,000 tenants have bought their council homes, removing a sizable chunk of local authority stock from its responsibility.

With less money at their command, local authorities have had to reduce spending somewhere – new house building has suffered most, leaving spending on improvements as the growth area. Improvement grants increased from about £125 million in 1980 to £900 million last year, although they are now being reduced.

It marks a complete swing of the pendulum over the past 10 years, from the days when – in 1975 – local authorities built 174,000 dwellings. Local authorities are on the defensive, and only recently came under futher attack from the Government because of the number of council homes standing empty.

The Government claimed rent loss from empty dwellings amounted to £79 million in 1984-85, with 112,700 properties standing empty last year, of which 25,300 had been empty for more than one year.

The Association of Metropolitan Authorities refuted the charges, arguing that almost all those vacant for more than one year were undergoing or awaiting rehabilitation or demolition.

Squeezed out of new building, local authorities have increasingly turned their attention to renovation work, attempting to bring individual houses to standard and to improve whole roads and areas with "enveloping" schemes, providing a package of repairs and improvements.

Again money is short, and one of the most interesting trends is towards partnership between private and public sectors to help the inner cities. Barratt, Wimpey, Bellway and Regalian are among those in the van of this development.

In Wandsworth, Barratt is redeveloping, in partnership with Wandsworth Council, a derelict housing estate at Bridge Park, Frogmore, with the intention that all the 102 dwellings should be sold to council nominees at discounted prices. One third of the scheme has already sold.

Wimpey took on the refurbishment of a run-down former GLC estate in Aveley, Essex, in partnership with Thurrock Borough Council. The newly improved 120 flats are on offer first to council nominees and then for sale in the normal way, in this latest Wimpey urban renewal scheme.

"By cooperating with local councils or government in this way, Wimpey is able to avoid the immense cost of building on new land, a saving it passes on direct to the customer," says Nelson Oliver, chairman of Wimpey Homes.

"This partnership is one we intend to pursue actively. Eventually we are looking at nothing less than the complete renovation of many of our city centres."

In Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Bellway has created 172 flats from houses built 60 years ago, with the aid of a £1 million urban development grant. And the homes at Low Delaval, Benwell, are offered for sale to council tenants and first-time buyers on the council's waiting list.

Regalian, in Wandsworth and London's Docklands, has demonstrated that old, run-down and derelict council estates can be brought back into useful life, providing homes for council tenants and nominees, and others.

It is work encouraged by the Government. Last year, through the Department of the Environment, it gave its largest urban redevelopment grant to help the £2.3 million conversion of a Leeds city council estate, The Raynvilles, into the Bramley Rise development, providing 287 flats and maisonettes.

These builders and developers – and others – have further schemes. It is one of the most effective ways at present for local authorities, short of funds, in partnership with the private sector, to help to provide much needed building in the inner cities.

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The big drive for more homes

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ations, encouragement from the Government and the right-to-buy legislation, which has given council tenants the opportunity to become home-owners, has pushed home-ownership over 60 per cent.

Surveys show that over 80 per cent of young people wish to own their home, and while this may for practical reasons not be achievable, it could – and is expected to – reach 70 to 75 per cent by the end of the century.

The lower birth rates of the 1960s and 1970s will effect the need for homes in the next 15 years, but this is likely only to slacken the rate of increase in demand rather than reduce it.

Demand will also depend on the number of units demolished and increases in vacancy rates. With the total shock of houses in England and Wales standing at more than 19 million, each existing house will have to survive for 800 to 1,000 years given the recent rate of demolition of 15,000 to 20,000 a year.

Even with assumed demolition rate of about 50,000 units a year in the 1990s, each house will still have to stand for 400 years – a hypothetical and ludicrous figure which nevertheless gives the indication of the problem.

The Housing Research Foundation study concludes tentatively that with continued demands for better standards of housing, the annual demand for housing in the 1990s may not be substantially less then that currently required. It breaks the demand down into 100,000 for new households, 40,000 to 50,000 to cope with geographic shifts of industry, better standards and second homes, and 40,000 to 50,000 to replace the demolished houses.

Statistics from the Department of the Environment suggest that building is not keeping pace with demand. In August, provisional estimates show 15,900 houses and flats were started in *Great* Britain, compared with 15,500 in August 1984; but completions were down to 13,700 compared with 17,400 in August last year.

In the three months June to August this year, total starts were 2 per cent down on the previous three months, and 1 per cent lower than in the corresponding period last year; completions were 9 per cent down and 13 per cent down, respectively.

In private sector, starts were 1 per cent up on the previous three months and 4 per cent higher than the corresponding period a year ago, with completions down 7 per cent and 6 per cent, respectively.

Private builders are trying their best, but are only just holding their own in the present economic climate. And as the local authority programme of building continues to decline the result is a shortfall. It is unlikely the total number of houses built this year will equal last year's 190,000 – and that is not enough.

One of the alarming factors preventing the volume of house building has been the sudden decline in timber-frame building after a steady increase in its share of the market.

Problems with site management and assembly, leading to defects, were criticized and then aired on television, which had an immediate effect. The result was that in Britain this method of construction has declined to less than 10 per cent (although it remains over 30 per cent in Scotland) and could be as low as 5 per cent in England.

Builders have learned valuable lessons from this disastrous episode, or should have done.

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Property Correspondent

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A better image to the man at the sharp end

Of all industrial workers, the man on the building site is possibly the one with the single worst image. Wellies, a wheelbarrow, and a donkey jacket plus an apparent lack of motivation are his hallmarks.

Which is a pity. The building worker today is at the sharp end of the industry: he is the upfront demonstration of a building firm's efficiency and productivity.

And he is usually permanently on display. Dig a hole in the ground and as likely as not it will be surrounded by sightseers almost immediately.

Much has been done in recent times to correct the building worker's poor image, for it is a fact that construction work is a skilled and responsible job that calls for expertise and proper training. This applies as much to the building site labourer as it does to the bricklayer or the site manager.

But there has also been a major shift in emphasis in building site employment that is likely to accelerate. As new materials, new technologies and new labour-saving practices find their ways on to the building site, fewer traditional workers will be needed and the cry now is over the shortage of better educated, professional and managerial talent.

The Chartered Institute of Building, in its document, *Towards a Strategy for Higher Education in Building*, published last June, clearly identified the demand for increasing numbers of people with graduate and professional qualifications.

It gave a warning that the 22 degree courses in building on offer in Britain were inadequate to meet future industrial needs. "Moreover, within the construction field the balance of higher education provision is clearly inappropriate to the composition of the industry's present (and likely future) workload," it said.

But the problems are more deep-seated than that, according to some experts in the industry. The *Building Trades Journal* said earlier this year: "The industry has to face the fact that it has a problem with its image. It does not matter how many university and polytechnic courses are kept open or started if school leavers do not see a career in building as rewarding."

There is currently no difficulty, the journal pointed out, in attracting civil engineering undergraduates. This year there will be about 3,000 of them on degree courses at universities and polytechnics, attracted by civil engineering's professional image. But building degree students will number only 500.

The Construction Industry Training Board is praised for its work in ensuring that the skill of operatives and tradesmen in the industry is increasing year by year.

The board says: "It is condemnation of the industry's performance that at the other end of the scale it seems the number of university-trained people entering the industry will decline."

The view is reinforced by the institute, which complains that the industry's erroneous image has made building the "undiscovered profession" in the realms of careers advisers.

The board says: "There is little doubt that the public still retains an image that is 50 years out of date.

"The fact that the building industry has a turnover of some £22 billion and produce 12 per cent of the gross national product means that it requires increasingly a greater share of the nation's pool of manpower talent."

Clearly the industry is massively under-stocked with graduates or those holding Higher National Diplomas in building.

As a result of pleading by the institute and others, employers, too, have begun to shout about insufficient graduate talent. And the University Grants Committee appears to have taken some notice.

In February it called on universities to try to divert some of the resources now available to civil engineering into the broader field of building engineering while at the same time giving a broad hint that assistance from the industry towards the provision of "a small number of chairs in a few institutions would help to halt the erosion of confidence which currently prevails".

Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

High-rise slums in Liverpool; and Larry Rolland, president of the Royal Institute of British Architects

The drive to stop the decay

Government neglect of the nation's public housing, conservatively valued at £22-billion, is one issue which has united the construction industry and local authorities. The percentage of our gross domestic product spent on new buildings and maintaining the existing stock shows up badly alongside those of other European countries: 7.5 per cent compared with 16.2 in Switzerland, 13.6 in Finland, 13.2 in Ireland, 12.7 in West Germany and 11.6 in France.

Endless meeting between the industry's Group of Eight and secretaries have proved fruitless in a campaign against the Treasury, so earlier this year the Royal Institute of British Architects decided to launch its own Decaying Britain campaign, leapfrogging government and aimed directly at Parliament, local councillors, social, business and political leaders, professional, trade and community pressure groups and the electorate.

The recent urban riots have demonstrated the importance of the physical environment as a factor in urban unrest, particularly bad housing conditions.

Larry Rolland, president of the RIBA, has asked Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for the Environment, for an urgent meeting to discuss the problem, but Mr Baker would seem to have problems of his own in persuading the Treasury to release the results of the government's survey of housing conditions.

This is expected to confirm that councils need £20 billion for urgent repairs and Mr Baker wants an extra £600-million a year to tackle the problem. The Treasury, on the other hand, is arguing for a £200 million *reduction* in public spending on housing in 1986-87.

In June the RIBA published its survey on local authority housing repair and maintenance needs which tend to support other reports. The table of housing repair costs gives some indication of the scale of the task; Manchester, for example, with 105,000 council homes, needs £600 million alone, while even a provincial town such as Norwich, with 24,000 dwellings and a total population of just 122,000, needs £95 million.

David Atwell, director of the Decaying Britain campaign, has visited all the major towns and cities and by Christmas will have discussed the problems faced by 60 councils around the country. He says: "There is no exaggeration in the figures on the deteriorating state of our public sector housing stock. Local authorities do not have the resources to deal with their immediate needs, let alone building new homes for the future".

Each year councils submit a request to the Government for expenditure on their housing investment programmes. Commonly only a third of the amount they are seeking is granted, never more than half. This means that what resources are available are spread too thinly and, in Mr Atwell's view, what is approved is often not spent "in the best interests of husbandry", citing Liverpool's new housing programme as a case in point.

The sale of council homes to owner-occupiers has worsened the situation, as they are restricted to spending only 25 per cent of capital receipts while the proceeds sit idly in bank accounts. Bristol faces an acute problem with the number of homes it has sold at a discount to sitting tenants, only to have to buy them back at full market value later.

The 1977 Green Paper, *Housing Policy: A Consultative Document*, estimated the need to build 300,000 new homes each year yet completion have fallen from 330,000 in 1975 to 245,000 in 1979 and a forecast of less than 190,000 this year. Between 1979 and 1985 public sector completions have dropped to only a quarter of what they were 10 years ago, almost halving in the life of this government.

Home improvement grants have been slashed while the 1981 house condition surveys showed that in England and Wales more than four million homes needed repairs costing at least £2,500.

But with the Government's "obsession" with rehabilitation, says Mr Atwell, councils have had to spend scarce resources on repairing Victorian and Edwardian houses which will prove to be uneconomic in the longer term.

The next step in the RIBA's campaign is a series of exhibitions in public libraries, regional seminars and enlisting the help of children in identifying urban blight.

Although housing accounts for about half the public estate, schools amount to £22 billion and health facilities £20 billion. One-quarter of primary schools still have outside lavatories and a million pupils will lack access to basic facilities such as sinks and electric power points.

Hospitals hardly fare better. Half of all hospital accommodation was built before 1918 and the Davies Report of 1983, commissioned by the Department of Health and Social Security, estimated that England alone had a backlog of maintenance work valued at £2 billion. This is over three times what is spent annually now on new and existing health buildings.

Evidence of the need to act is not in short supply; evidence of the will to act is. But while such statistics make depressing reading, the Decaying Britain campaign will also be highlighting some of the achievements which councils have to show of the way they have gone about allocating their funds.

In the run up to the next general election, the question which many people in the construction industry are asking is whether the Government can afford – politically – not to take immediate remedial action.

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Housing repair costs in 10 towns and cities, 1985

Town/city	Population	No. of council units	Repair costs at 1985 prices
Bristol	400,000	42,500 (6,000 PRC)	£76m
Cardiff	280,000	23,500	£69m
Hartlepool	97,000	11,500	£30m
Hull	260,000	50,000	£240m
Leeds	750,000	98,000	£459m
Manchester	500,000	105,000	£600m
Norwich	122,000	24,000	£95m
Sheffield	560,000	58,000	£500m
Swansea	300,000	20,000	£65m
Tewkesbury	75,000	(1,250 (on one estate only)	£15m)

Source: Royal Institute of British Architects' Survey

Spend money to plug the crisis

Frank Gibbs is one of many caught up in the cat's cradle debate over whether there should be greater public spending on the fabric of the nation – its roads, ports, water and sewer systems.

As chairman and chief executive of Taylor Woodrow Group, he could be said to be preaching from self-interest, but his voice has the ring of authenticity.

"Unless we as a nation spend more on our infrastructure, even to repairs and maintenance alone, we could be facing a crisis in five years time," he says.

"We should be spending some of the revenue from North Sea oil and gas before the resources start drying up."

Mr Gibbs is president of the Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors which this summer published a blistering attack on the lack of public investment in the infrastructure. It was contained in a booklet which should be in the hip pocket of every opponent of Treasury policy.

Its conclusions: public expenditure has continued to grow but capital expenditure within it has continued to decline and current expenditure has continued to rise.

The federation is not arguing that greater public expenditure will create more jobs: that is not its purpose. Its last workload survey in July showed that not only was the state of order books unsatisfactory but the number of operatives employed had hardly changed over a year.

Twice as many members (34 per cent) reported that they were employing fewer people than a year ago, with one-half saying they were employing the same.

The federation argues that spending on the infrastructure has fallen below its level when the Government took office – which had been the most insubstantial for at least 10 years. Its conclusion: "The infrastructure, ill cared for and vulnerable in 1980, is now sufficiently unkempt and at risk to give rise to public alarm."

No-one in the industry is pretending that there can ever be a return to the building boom which finally collapsed in the mid-1970s. That is why many of the large companies are diversifying into other fields. Richard Costain, for example, is developing abroad its coal mining interests – in 1980 they represented only five per cent of its principal activities, today it is more than 16 per cent.

At Costain's the volume of building work in the United Kingdom this year is worth £120 million – two thirds of which comes from the private sector.

The case for investing more capital expenditure in the basic infrastructure is overwhelming in the view of the Confederation of British Industry. It is a way to reduce business costs and improve competitiveness.

Phillip Beck, chairman of John Mowlem and Company, believes that development of a proper trunk road network has been partly dictated by electoral considerations without taking into account the real needs of industry.

"We should be developing better access to the South-east ports, such as Dover and Felixstowe," he said. "A better road network would encourage the industrial development of the West Midlands and other regions."

But he cautions against a sudden upsurge in capital investment because "that would very inflationary."

Contractors report that there has been a general reduction in invitations to tender for civil engineering work and that the length of tender lists continues to grow – which means an overall reduction in the genuine prospects of work.

Few contractors are optimistic that workload and employment will improve over the next 12 months which is a view shared by the most recent construction forecasts from the National Economic Development Office and the Building Materials Producers.

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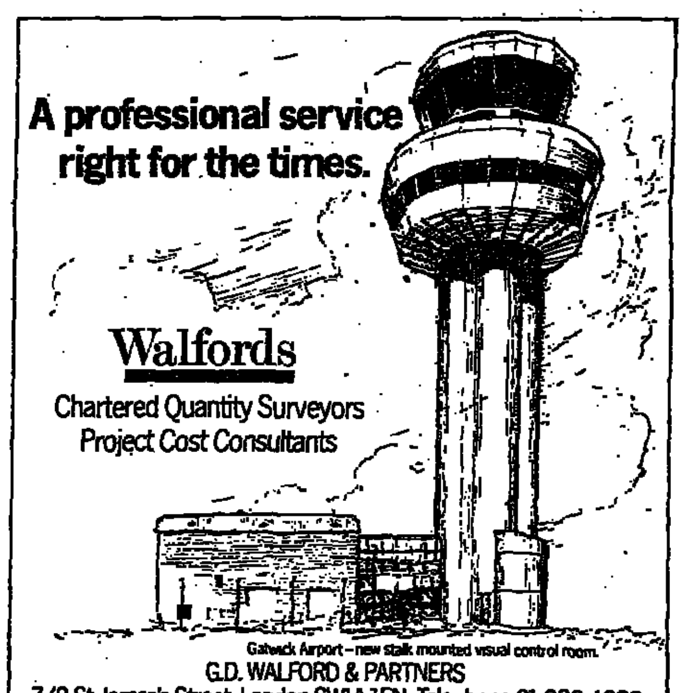

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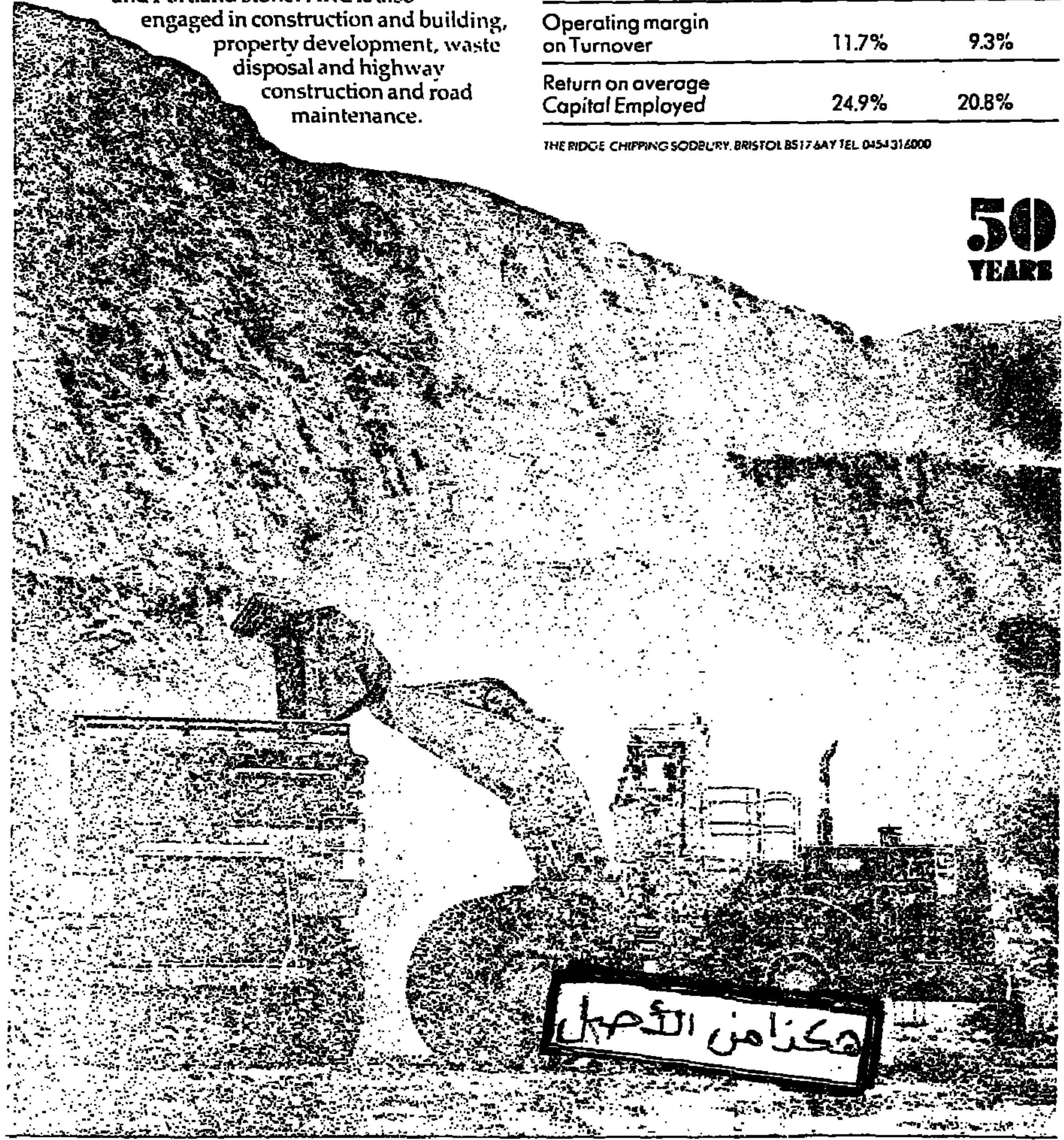

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY
Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

SE ready to surrender on international front

Sir Nicholas Goodison will this afternoon hold what may be an historic press conference on the future of the Stock Exchange. Ostensibly it will mark the publication of a document entitled *Notes for the Guidance of New Entrant Firms*, but in reality it will have to address the problem of the Stock Exchange's attitude towards a certain class of new entrants. to *wit* the international securities houses which are threatening to reduce the Stock Exchange to second-class status.

This debate has been simmering for several months. It surfaced when a group of the international houses announced that they were planning to form their own self-regulatory organization. the International Securities Regulatory Organization, *(ISRO)* to be directly affiliated to the embryonic Securities and Investment Board when it is enshrined *in* law in the new year.

That set not so much a cat, as a herd of tigers, among the pigeons around the Stock Exchange tower in Throgmorton Street.

The root of the problem is that the *international* houses – Merrill Lynch, Salomon Brothers, Nomura, Yamaichi and the others – have a common interest in the new framework to regulate the Eurobond market in London, which has turned into an unholy free-for-all under the cloak of professional traders allegedly being able to take care of themselves. It has not been sufficiently exposed to public scrutiny, and it has not been in the losers' interest to blow the whistle on their less scrupulous peers.

That brought the international firms together, but once grouped round a table they very quickly realized that they had another area of common interest: trade in gilt-edged and shares especially those dealt in round the globe through London, New York and Tokyo.

It was the Stock Exchange's fervent, but in the event somewhat naive, hope that it could embrace these significant participants in the securities market. But that ambition was marred by the Stock Exchange's disfiguring internal row on the issue of how and on what terms to admit corporate outsiders to membership of what some still fondly imagine is a private club.

Initially the powers that be at the Stock *Exchange affevted lofty disdain for the* newborn ISRO. By Tuesday's regualr meeting of the Stock Exchange Council, that had turned into a posture more akin to supplication.

That will almost certainly entail abandoning the cardinal principle that securities trading should not be fragmented. It has already been fragmented physically through the use of the telephone and latterly the electronic screen, but now it appears that the Stock Exchange is willing to concede the idea of a separate *international* securities exchange under the combined aegis of the Stock Exchange and ISRO.

At the same time, the porposed Stock Exchange entry fee of up to £500,000 is to be shrunk humbly to £10,000. with subsequent fees tied to usage. hat may not be enoug to halt the ISRO bandwagon, and it will surely infuriate the backwoodsmen who so *bitterly* opposed the council's entry proposals earlier this year.

For the time being, Sir Nicholas's advisers plan to sidestep any further rebellion in the Stock Exchange ranks. But it will be hard to avoid a vote of some sort eventually. That could be a painful moment for those who want London to retain its presennt position in world securities *markets*.

Economic confusion for the connoisseur

For connoisseurs of confusion, the economic policy debate provides a rich vein. Yesterday, for example, we had the Chancellor complaining that he cannot win when faced with simultaneous calls from industry for lower interest rates and from the City for re-establishment of control over broad money as part of the Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS).

To add to the fun, one of the Chancellor's "young Turks," Bill Martin of Phillips & Drew, in a report published today, reinterprets the MTFS as "Muddling Through with Firm Sterling". He sees clear signs in the new Lawson combination of tighter money and the prospect of fiscal expansion, of the influence of Reaganomics at work. He is not alone.

The Chancellor, in combative meood at the Café Royal, started by giving sterling M3 another kick towards the gutter, but concentrated his energies on the familiar subject of pay.

As set out yesterday, the strategy is to maintain the indirect pressure on pay through a firm exchange rate, high interest rates and no new tax concessions to industry.

On the exchange rate, he said that since the G5 meeting, a lower rate for sterling against the German mark had been balanced by a rise against the dollar, but he rejected the idea of "relieving the competitive pressures on industry, brought about by excessive pay settlements, by engineering a lower exchange rate for sterling."

He also rejected, as firmly as a Chancellor is likely to do at this point in the calendar, the idea of a cut in employers' National Insurance contributions and, as a matter of course, lower interest rates.

To use a strong exchange rate, high interest rates and an early rejection of CBI Budget demands as a combined weapon to cut pay settlements, may look a little like employing a shotgun to open a door when one has the key in one's pocket. Fortunately for Nigel Lawson, the leader of the Labour Party faces similar difficulties in addressing the question of direct control over pay.

An eminent study in time-wasting

It lasted nearly a year, it involved the National Coal Board, it cost a lot in terms of time and money, it was divisive and in the final analysis very little was gained from it. In this case, it was the independent *inquiry carried out by a team* of "eminent" accountants into an article written last year by another team of independent accountants.

After much delay, the report from the eminent accountants was finally published yesterday with the stunning conclusion that it would be an incorrect judgement to say that the NCB's colliery profit and loss account *document (the F23) was "fundamentally flawed".*

The NCB claims that it knew this all along. It is not, therefore, much of a conclusion. The eminent accountants do not say that the F23 has no flaws. The NCB admits that the document has its shortcomings. So what benefits are there to the NCB, its employees, and the *taxpayer who footed* the bill for this exercise?

The answer is not a lot. Unfortunately the eminent accountants seem to have devoted their attention to picking holes in the article under review rather than address the wider issues which it raised when it was published at the height of the pits dispute.

The *main intention* of the original article was to provoke some debate about the suitability of using historical accounting information as a basis for determining whether individual pits should be shut or not. The NCB agrees that it is not and it will take into account other factors when making such decisions.

That such debate has been stifled for nearly a year while the independent inquiry took place is a woeful waste of time. The question about how best the NCB should account for its financial performance still remains unanswered. The Energy Select Committee should take its opportunity next week to pursue the question more closely.

LME warns tin council of threat to market's future

By Michael Prest, Financial Correspondent

Tin trading on the London *Metal Exchange* will remain suspended for the rest of the week, the LME announced late yesterday afternoon.

But the frustration and anxiety of LME members at the slow pace of decision-making by the International Tin Council could boil over when 14 members and their bankers meet today.

Earlier yesterday, *as it became* clear that the ITC meeting was progressing slowly, Mr Jacques Lion, chairman of the LME board, accused Mr Pieter de Koning, the manager of the buffer stock run by the ITC to regulate tin prices, of defaulting on his obligations, and gave warning that the future of the LME was gravely compromised.

In a strongly-worded statement, Mr Lion said: "it is the obligation of the ITC and its members that all potential differences will be paid on maturity and we seek today this unqualified assurance not only for the survival of the LME but also to give comfort to the banking community and ensure some semblance of reality for the tin mining industry for the foreseeable future."

Tin trading has been suspended on the LME for a week since Mr de Koning told the exchange that his finances were exhausted and requested a halt to trading.

The ITC crisis meeting which began on Tuesday, was scheduled to conclude yesterday, but the LME decision to suspend tin trading for another two days immediately prompted suggestions that the ITC would adjourn.

ITC sources said it could reconvene on Monday, thereby raising the question of whether tin trading will be suspended next week as well.

These considerations will press heavily upon the 14 LME members and their bankers who are meeting today at the invitation of J. H. Rayner (Mincing Lane), part of the S & W Berisford group run by Mr Ephraim Margulies.

LME members have already answered a call to post funds to the exchange against a collapse of the price. They put up £50 million on 50,000 tonnes of tin valued at £400 million.

Progress at the ITC was delayed by *the consuming* countries' insistence, led by the European Economic Community, that the producers should be prepared to finance a rescue. The producers responded yesterday afternoon. It seemed to be common ground, however, that a floor price lower than the previous M$29.15 a kilogramme (£8,500 a tonne) would have *to* be introduced.

When tin trading was suspended, the price was just over £8,000 a tonne. Traders widely expect it to fall at least to £6,000. Mr Lion said yesterday that additional delays could result in trading the LME "at price levels unrealistic even in current circumstances"

Brittan urges US deficit action

**From Bailey Morris
Washington**

Mr Leon Brittan, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, gave a warning here yesterday that continued American inaction on the huge Federal Budget deficit threatened the wider health of the world trading system.

In his first official visit as Trade Secretary, Mr Brittan called for "strong and firm action" to bring down the $200 billion deficit to "tolerable levels" as quickly as possible.

This had to be done to cool protectionist pressures and correct the enormous economic imbalances which threatened the health not only of the US economy but also of Britain and other nations.

Mr Brittan made his remarks as Congressional negotiators met to try to reach agreement on a balanced Budget amendment which is regarded as the last attempt to reduce the deficit in the current fiscal year.

Meanwhile, Mr Clayton Yeutter, the new US trade representative, said that unless US and European negotiators resolved their differences on steel and other trade disputes by the deadlines next week, the tenor of the talks would sour and the US would take retaliatory steps against Europe.

Leon Brittan: call for new Gatt talks

Mr Brittan, who held taks with Mr Yeutter, Mr Malcolm Baldrige, US Secretary of Commerce, and Congressional leaders, stressed *the importance* of maintaining an open trading system by avoiding the dangers *of unilateral actions taken in the* interest of "national laws alone."

Mr Britain said that the prosperity of Britain, which exported 30 per cent of its gross domestic product, depended on access to overseas markets.

Noting the new US emphasis on the unfair trade practices of other nations, which has given rise to tough import actions, Mr Brittan said it was possible for all nations to compile such lists.

From the British perspective, for example, it was a source of concern that the US remained in breach of a binding Gatt law which was costing British printers and publishers an estimated $250 million a year

● *Protectionism in the US* could severely damage US growth prospects, according to a report published today by the *influential* Wharton Group of *forecasters in Philadelphia.*

The report said that protectionism is unfavourable to all countries, "unless one is prepared to make naive assump*tions about retaliation and the* potential financial impact of higher tariffs."

Dollar hits 4-year low against yen

**By David Smith
Economics Correspondent**

The dollar dropped to a 4½-year low of 210 against the yen yesterday, on strong market rumours of an imminent cut in the US discount rate.

The dollar was also hit by reports in a Tokyo newspaper claiming that further interest rate moves were part of the strategy agreed by the Group of Five finance ministers at their New York meeting on September 22.

There was also talk in the foreign exchange markets of a plan for another Group of Five meeting, designed to review success so far in reducing the *dollar's value, and plan future* tactics.

The Treasury in London said that no such meeting is planned. However, central bankers will *meet in Basle, in Switzerland* on Sunday for their regular monthly meeting under the auspices of the Bank for Internatinal Settlements.

The pound was again a main beneficiary of dollar weakness. It rose by 58 points to $1.4410, having risen to $1.4450 during trading.

Sterling gained more than a pfennig to close at DM3.7758 against the mark, while the sterling index rose 0.2 to 81.0. The pound's firmer tone produced a slight easing of money market interest rates in London and provided the gilt market with a boost.

In New York last night, the pound was trading at $1.4415, while the mark was DM2.6190 against the dollar.

Signs of an easier tone in US interest rates were supported by a 0.25 point cut by Bankers Trust in its broker loan rate, to 8.75 per cent. However, the reduction merely brought the Bankers Trust rate into line with that set by other banks.

NEWS IN BRIEF

TSB Bill in court case

The Government's plans to float the Trustee Savings Bank Group on the Stock Exchange next year face further problems. A group of Scottish depositors is today bringing a court case claiming that the TSB Bill contravenes the European Convention on Human Rights.

The Association of TSB *Scottish Depositors is bringing* the case in Scotland under newly-introduced procedures which should produce a judgement within weeks.

A judgement in the depositors' favour would not stop the flotation, but would enable the association to threaten to take their case to the European Court of Human Rights.

If they also won that case, the Government could then be liable to payments of about £1 billion to TSB depositors as compensation for the bank's reserves deemed to have been taken away from them.

Meanwhile, the Scottish National Party has called on the Prime Minister to start an inquiry into whether TSB Scotland is owned by its depositors.

The TSB Group is set to start this weekend a £5 million television and newspaper advertising campaign leading up to the flotation.

Reed advance

Reed International, the publisher and paper manufacturer, lifted pretax profits from £45.2 million to £51.1 million in the six months to September 29. Turnover was down from £1,039 million to £970 million. The interim dividend is up from 5.8p to 6.5p.

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Brent Walker, the leisure group which returned to the stock market in May, has reported a 90 per cent increase in first-half *profits to £1.5 million.* It has exercised its option to buy Brighton Marina for £13 million but has sold a casino in Bournemouth and the Oxford *Walk shopping complex for* £1.1 million.

Henderson dip

The Henderson Group, makers of industrial and garage doors, made taxable profits in the six months to August 31 of £2.6 million, a fall of 8 per cent on turnover nearly 21 per cent higher. The dividend is raised to 2.5p from 2.25p.

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Wellington Underwriting Agencies, the Lloyd's managing agency being divested from Willis Faber, has appointed Mr Anthony Cooper as managing director. Mr Cooper is senior partner of Price Waterhouse, the accountants, in Malaysia.

Broker flotation

International City Holdings, the money broker, is coming to the stock market via an offer for sale by Lazard Brothers, the merchant bank. The offer price of 190p a share values the company at £87 million.

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Engineers richer

Almost 60 per cent of Britain's chartered engineers now earn more than £15,000 a year, compared with 32 per cent two years ago, according to an *Engineering Council survey.*

New steel regime for EEC

**By Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent**

European countries will not be able to prop up their steel industries with operating or invement aid after the end of this year, under the terms of a new EEC steel regime agreed yesterday.

The British Government, represented at the latest council of ministers meeting by Mr Peter Morrison, Minister of State for Trade and Industry, welcomed the outcome of the negotiations which will give the British Stel Corporation access to larger production quotas.

From January 1, coated steel and reinforcement bars will be free of quotas, a first step towards restoring a free market in steel in Europe.

Other products, including wire rod and merchant bar, will remain subject to quotas for the coming year.

On state aid, the ministers agreed that government cash for research and development and for environmental protection measures will continue to be allowed under the same terms as for other industries.

Money to help with steel works closures may be paid in relation to redundancy costs and to companies pulling out of steel making.

The new agreement was seen last night as a compromise, with the West Germans wanting an end to all subsidies after the end of this year, although there appears to have been no problem in lifting the system of minimum price controls from the end of the year.

Lloyds raises $500m in second bond issue

By Richard Thomson, Banking Gorrespondent

Lloyds Bank yesterday issued its second perpetual floating rate note issue in seven months. *The new bond of $500 million* (£347 million) brings the total amount raised by Lloyds in this way to $1.30 billion (£897 million).

The issue boosts Lloyds' free reserve ratio by one percentage point to 7.5 per cent, leaving it with free reserves of £3 billion.

Lloyds, which is the smallest of the big four clearing banks, has now raised more money through perpetual floating rate notes in comparison to its capital base than any of its competitors.

The bank pioneered in May perpetual floating rate notes, which the Bank of England allows to rank as primary capital.

The other clearing banks quickly followed with their own as a cheaper way of improving their capital ratios than issuing new shares.

The second Lloyds issue, which is managed by the newly-formed Lloyds Merchant Bank, is offering interest at 3/16ths of a per cent over three-month dollar London Interbank Offered Rate.

Lloyds said these were the finest terms so far achieved by a clearing bank on a perpetual floating rate note issue.

180p striking price at Underwoods

By Clare Dobie

Underwoods, the high street chemist, which is joining the stock market, has been given a warm welcome by investors. the striking price has been set at 180p a share, against a minimum tender price of only 115p.

Enthusiasm for the company has been boosted by favourable sentiment towards retailers generally and by the better-than-expected results from Marks and Spencer on Tuesday.

Even at the striking price the offer was six times oversubscribed. Applicants for more than 1.000 shares will receive an allocation of 10 per cent and applicants for under 1,000 shares will only receive 100 shares. This should ensure a premium when dealings start

At 180p the company is valued at £49 million. Profits are forecast to grow from £1.6 million to £2.3 million before tax in the year to January 31

Legal action threat to Minebea

**From David Watts
Tokyo**

The pioneering saga of the proposed takeover of Minebea, the Tokyo ball bearing and electonics company by Trafalgar Holdings of the US entered a new phase yesterday Trafalgar-Glen threatened legal action over Minebea's planned merger with its clothing subsidiary, Kanemori.

"We feel it is not in the best interests of the shareholders of Minebea," Mr Mark Dodge, executive director of Trafalgar, told a press conference. "it is calculated simply to block this transaction. I do not believe it is a *legitimate purpose* to be pursued by the president of a publicly-owned company in Japan or anywhere else."

Mr Dodge and Mr Graham Richards, *corporate consultant* to Glen International, have arrived in Japan to negotiate the mechanics of the takeover with the Ministry of Finance and to seek help from Tokyo securities companies in acquiring more Minebea shares.

Mr Dodge denied a Japanese press report that he had not been granted interviews with Japanese securities houses but said that Daiwa Securities had declined to participate for "cultural reasons".

Told that Minebea staff had *said they would resign if the* takeover went through he said he found it hard to believe that Trafalgar-Glen would come into possession of a company with*out staff or management* "which employs thousands of people worldwide".

Mr Dodge said that a smooth takeover was being planned, *hoped with the co-operation of* the Minebea board.

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

To the Holders of

HILL SAMUEL GROUP PLC

(formerly Hill Samuel Group Limited)

8½% Bonds due 1986, Due November 15, 1986

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture dated as of November 15, 1971 providing for the above Bonds $1,641,000 principal amount of said Bonds have been selected for redemption on November 15, 1985, through operation of the mandatory Sinking Fund at the redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof, together with *accrued interest thereon to said date, as follows:*

OUTSTANDING BONDS OF $1,000 EACH BEARING THE DISTINCTIVE NUMBERS ENDING IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING TWO DIGITS:

01 07 11 15 22 25 33 36 50 53 65 70 79 88 92 97
03 09 13 17 24 32 34 39 51 54 69 78 85 89 94

ALSO OUTSTANDING BONDS BEARING THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS:

274 974 1474

On November 15, 1985, the Bonds designated above will become due and payable in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts. Said Bonds will be paid, upon presentation and surrender thereof with all coupons appertaining thereto maturing after the redemption date, at the option of the holder either (a) at the **corporate trust office of Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 13th Floor, 30 West Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10015,** or (b) at the main offices of any of the following: Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York in Brussels, Frankfurt am Main, Paris and Zurich; Hill Samuel & Co. Limited in London; Credito Romagnolo S.p.A. in Milan and Rome; Algemene Bank Nederland, N.V. *in Amsterdam;* and Kredietbank S.A. Luxembourgeoise in Luxembourg. Payments at the office of any paying agent outside of the United States will be made by check drawn on, or transfer to a United States dollar account with, a bank in the Borough of Manhattan, City and State of New York. Any payment made by transfer to an account maintained by the payee with a bank in the United States may be subject to reporting to the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and to backup withholding at a rate of *20%* if payees not recognized as exempt recipients fail to provide the paying agent with an executed IRS Form W-8, certifying under penalties of perjury that the payee is not a United States person or an executed IRS Form W-9, certifying under penalties of perjury the payee's taxpayer identification number (employer identification number or social security number, as appropriate). Those holders who are required to provide their correct taxpayer identification number on Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 and who fail to do so may also be subject to a penalty of $50. Please therefore provide the appropriate certification when presenting your securities for payment.

Coupons due November 15, 1985 should be detached and collected in the usual manner.

On and after November 15, 1985 interest shall cease to accrue on the Bonds herein designated for redemption.

HILL SAMUEL GROUP PLC
By: Morgan Guaranty Trust Company
OF NEW YORK, *Trustee*

Dated: October 10, 1985

NOTICE

The following Bonds previously called for redemption have not as yet been presented for payment:

59 745 1614 7175 7183 7196 7214 7437 8737 18237 18243 18526 18529
741 1591 3610 7181 7191 7210 7220 8735 18235 18241 18245 18527

Dee pays £7.7m for Lonsdale

By Cliff Feltham

There is no let-up in the pace of expansion at Mr Alec Monk's acquisitive supermarkets and cash and carry empire, Dee *Corporation*.

Mr Monk continued his deal-making yesterday by paying £7.75 million for Lonsdale and Thompson which operates 11 wholesale cash and carry depots around the country.

The business will slot neatly into the chain of 85 outlets run by Dee's subsidiary, Linfood.

At a stroke it will give Linfood the largest cash and carry turnover of any similar operation in the United Kingdom.

Last year Lonsdale and Thompson – which was part of Union Internationl which represents the interests of the Vestey meat empire – had *turnover* of about £160 million.

The present deal is being financed by the issue of 3.2 million shares in Dee. The existing shares were unchanged at 243p in the stock market.

Earlier this year Dee failed in a £330 million bid for Booker McConnell

Blundell dismisses chief executive

The chief executive of the paint manufacturer, Blundell-*Permoglaze*, has been sacked following the company's recent poor results.

A statement last night said that Mr Anthony Hornsby's appointment had been terminated owing to differences between him and the board of directors as to policies to be adopted by the company.

Mr Hornsby, who is 51 and worked with the company for 28 years, said later: "The company has not been doing well and somebody's head had to *roll* and *it happened* to be mine. I am sad rather than bitter. We have been hit by rising raw material prices which have *made life very difficult.*"

The company reported losses of £539,000 for the eight months to June compared with a profit of £407,000.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

FT Ind Ord	1067.3 (+6.0)
FT All Share	669.16 (+4.32)
FT Govt Securities	84.04 (+0.40)
FT-SE 100	1373.2 (+8.8)
Bargains	24,412
Datastream USM	108.86 (+0.45)
New York	
Dow Jones	1369.50 (+0.77)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	12908.66 (−5.26)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	1654.68 (+0.65)
Amsterdam: Gen	225.6 (+1.4)
Sydney: AO	1028.8 (−3.7)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1753.2 (+40.4)
Brussels:	
General	816.02 (+63.48)
Paris: CAC	219.4 (+1.1)
Zurich:	
SKA General	545.70 (+5.10)

GOLD

London fixing:
am $326.80pm–$326.20
close $326.00–326.50 (£325.25–326.25)
New York:
Comex $326.35

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
Micro Focus Grp	120p +20p
Hillards	221p +28p
Icc Oil Services	12p +1.50p
Amcn Elt Compt	29.50) +3.50p
Henderson Gp	241p +25p
Crystalate Hdgs	111p +11p
Tozer Kemsley	65p +6p
Barbican	2.75p +0.25p
De Brett Andre	23p +2p
Flextech	53p +5p
Duport	54.50p +4.50p
Davenports Brew	293p +23p
Channel Tunnel	168p +13p
Morrison Wm Smk	162p +12p
Ramco Oil Servs	43p +3p
CPS Computer Gp	30p +12p
Bristol Oil & Mrl	15p +1p
Metal Sciences	8p +0.50p
BL	32p +2p
Sound Diffusion	48p +3p
Health Care Svc	33p +2p
Sesoutter Bros	173p +10p
Ibstock Johnsen	174p +10p
FALLS:	
SI Group	17p +2p
New Court Ntrl	26p −2p
Monument Oil & Gas	13p −1p
Westland	73p −5p

CURRENCIES

London: £: $1.4410 (+0.0058)
£: DM3.7758(+0.0143)
£: SwFr3.0957(+0.0117)
£: FFr11.5122(+0.0436)
£: Yen304.49(−0.21)
£ Index: 81.0(+0.2)
New York:
£: $1.4415
$: DM2.6190)
$ Index: 129.7(−0.3)
ECU £0.568025
SDR £0.745281

INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 11½%
3-month Interbank 11⅝–11⁹⁄₁₆%
3-month *eligible bills:* 11³⁄₁₆–11⁷⁄₃₂
buying rate
US:
Prime Rate 9.50%
Federal Funds 7⁹⁄₁₆%
3-month *Treasury Bills* 7.17–7.15%
30-year bonds 103⁷⁄₁₆–103½

WALL STREET

	Oct 29	Oct 28
AMR	38¾	38¾
ASA	38⅜	36¾
Allied Signal	43⅛	42⅜
Allied Stores	58¼	58¾
Allis Chalmers	4	4⅛
Alcoa	32½	32⅝
Amax Inc	11⅜	11½
Amerada Hess	30¼	31⅜
Am Brands	56¾	56⅞
Am Broadcast	117½	117¾
Am Can	54⅜	55⅛
Am Cyanamid	50¾	50⅝
Am Elec Power	22⅜	21⅞
Am Express	44¾	43⅛
Am Home	56½	56⅞
Am Hospital	47¼	47¼
Am Motors	2¾	2¾
Am Standard	30⅞	30¼
Am Telephone	20⅞	20
Amoco	69¾	69½
Armco Steel	8⅝	8⅝
Asarco	16⅞	16¾
Ashland Oil	35⅜	34⅞
Atl Richfield	65½	65⅞
Avon Products	25⅞	25⅝
Bankers Tst NY	63¼	62½
Bankamerica	14	13¾
Bank of Boston	50⅛	49¾
Bank of NY	42½	42⅜
Beatrice Foods	43¼	43⅞
Bethlehem Steel	15⅛	15
Boeing	45½	45
Boise Cascade	40½	39⅞
Borden	41⅝	42⅜
Borg Warner	20⅝	20¾
Bristol Myers	55⅞	55¾
BP	33¼	32⅛
Burlington Ind	29⅞	29⅛
Burlington Nthn	62⅜	63
Burroughs	56¼	55¾
Campbell Soup	41¾	42¼
Canadian Pacific	11⅞	11⅞
Caterpillar	35	34¾
Celanese	127½	125⅞
Central SW	25⅜	25⅝
Champion	21⅜	21⅛
Chase Manhat	57½	56⅝
Chem Bank NY	38⅞	38⅝
Chevron	39½	38⅞
Chrysler	39½	38⅝
Citicorp	43⅝	42
Clark Equip	27¾	28⅜
Coca Cola	72⅛	71⅜
Colgate	29⅜	29
CBS	108¾	109¾
Columbia Gas	37	36¾
Combustion Eng	27¼	27
Commwlth Edison	28	28⅝
Cons Edison	35¾	35½
Cons Nat Gas	42¾	42½
Cons Power	7⅛	6⅞
Control Data	16⅝	18¼
Corning Glass	51¼	50¼
CPC Intl	47⅞	48⅜
Crane	35⅞	36
Crown Zeller	39⅞	40
Dart & Kraft	39¾	39
Deere	25¼	25¼
Delta Air	37¾	37⅜
Detroit Edison	15¼	15⅛
Digital Equip	112⅞	111⅝
Disney	88⅞	87⅞
Dow Chemical	38½	36½
Dresser Ind	18¾	18⅜
Duke Power	34⅜	33⅜
Du Pont	59⅞	59
Eastern Air	7	6¾
Eastman Kodak	43⅝	42¾
Eaton Corp	53¾	54
Emerson Elect	69⅛	69⅛
Evans Prod	1⅝	1⅝

	Oct 29	Oct 28
Exxon Corp	54⅜	54⅛
Fed Dept Stores	84¾	84
Firestone	18⅜	18⅛
Fst Chicago	23⅛	22¾
Fst Intrst Bncp	49⅝	49⅜
Fst Penn Corp	6	6
Ford	46	45⅜
GAF Corp	41¾	41¼
GTE Corp	40	39⅞
Gen Corp	54⅝	53⅝
Gen Dynamics	63⅜	63
Gen Electric	58⅞	58⅝
Gen Foods	119⅞	119¾
Gen Mills	62⅜	62½
Gen Motors	66¼	65¼
Gen Pub Util NY	15¾	15½
Genesco	3¼	3⅜
Georgia Pacific	21	21⅜
Gillette	65⅞	65½
Goodrich	31¼	31¼
Goodyear	26¼	25⅞
Gould Inc	33¾	33⅛
Grace	37	36⅞
Gt Atltc & Pacific	17⅞	17¼
Greyhound	27¾	27¼
Grumman Corp	29	28¾
Gulf & West	43⅜	43¾
Heinz H. J.	28½	28½
Hercules	36⅞	36¾
Hewlett-Pkrd	30½	30⅜
Honeywell	60	59¾
IC Inds	35¼	35¼
Ingersoll	49⅜	49¼
Inland Steel	19⅞	19⅞
IBM	130⅜	129⅜
Int Harvester	7	6⅞
INCO	10⅞	11
Int Paper	45⅜	46
Int Tel Tel	34½	34⅞
Irving Bank	88¼	38
Jim Walter	34⅜	34⅞
Johnson & John	46⅜	46½
Kaiser Alumin	14¾	15
Kerr McGee	34¼	33⅞
Kimberly Clark	60⅜	59⅞
K Mart	33⅞	33¾
Kroger	44⅜	44⅞
L.T.V. Corp	6½	6⅜
Litton	81⅜	81⅜
Lockheed	45¼	44¾
Lucky Stores	23⅛	23
Manuf Hanover	39⅛	38⅝
Manville Cp	5½	5⅝
Mapco	34¾	36⅛
Marine Midland	33¾	33¾
Martin Marietta	32⅜	32¼
Masco	33⅞	33¼
McDonnell	64⅜	65½
Mead	37½	36¾
Merck	113¾	112
Minnesota Mng	77⅜	77½
Mobil Oil	31⅜	31½
Monsanto	42⅝	42¾
Morgan J. P.	51½	50¾
Motorola	31½	31
NCR Corp	34⅜	33⅞
NL Industries	13⅜	13⅝
Nat Distillers	32⅜	32
Nat Med Ent	20¾	20⅛
Nat Semicndctr	11⅜	11⅛
Norfolk South	70⅜	69⅝
NW Bancorp	24	24⅛
Occidental Pet	35⅛	35¾
Ogden	30⅝	31
Olin Corp	35¼	35
Owens-Illinois	48⅜	47½
Pacific Gas Elec	18¾	18½
Pan Am	6	7⅜
Penney J. C.	48¾	48
Pennzoil	47⅜	47⅛
Pepsico	62¼	62

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Pfizer	45	45
Phelps Dodge	19⅞	19¾
Philip Morris	73¾	72⅞
Phillips Petrol	13⅜	13⅛
Polaroid	35⅞	35⅞
PPG Ind	44⅞	44⅞
Procter Gamble	62	62
Pub Ser El & Gas	28⅜	28⅜
Raytheon	47⅞	47⅞
RCA Corp	62	45⅝
Reynolds Ind	25⅞	25⅞
Reynolds Metal	31⅜	31¾
Rockwell Int	34⅞	34⅛
Royal Dutch	64¼	63⅝
Safeways	34¾	34½
Sara Lee	46⅝	45
SFE Sopac	31⅜	31⅜
SCM	72¾	72⅞
Schlumberger	33¼	33
Scott Paper	44⅛	43⅝
Seagram	42⅛	41½
Sears Roebuck	34⅜	34
Shell Trans	40⅜	39½
Singer	38⅝	37¾
Smithkline Beck	67⅞	66¾
Sony	18½	18⅜
Sth Cal Edison	25	24⅜
Sperry Corp	45⅞	46½
Std Oil Ohio	53	51¾
Sterling Drug	35	35⅛
Stevens J. P.	26	25⅜
Sun Comp	51⅜	50⅝
Teledyne	254	253⅛
Tenneco	38¼	37⅞
Texaco	38⅞	38¾
Texas East Corp	37⅞	37⅜
Texas Inst	91⅜	90½
Texas Utilities	28	28
Textron	48¾	48⅛
Travelers Corp	44½	44
TRW Inc	80¼	80¼
UAL Inc	47⅜	45⅞
Unilever NV	117¼	115¼
Union Carbide	59¾	60⅜
Un Pacific Corp	49½	50⅜
United Brands	21⅞	22
US Steel	27½	28⅛
Utd Technol	40⅛	38⅞
Unocal	29¾	29¾
Wachovia	32⅛	32⅜
Warner Lambert	36¼	35⅞
Wells Fargo	54⅞	54⅝
Westinghse Elec	43⅛	41⅞
Weyerhaeuser	25¼	25⅜
Whirlpool	42⅞	42⅞
Woolworth	52	51¾
Xerox Corp	50⅛	48½
Zenith	16⅞	16¾

CANADIAN PRICES

	Oct 29	Oct 28
Abitibi	17	16⅞
Alcan Alumin	32⅜	32⅛
Algoma Steel	18¾	18⅜
Bell Telephone	40⅞	40⅝
Can Pacific	16⅛	16¼
Cominco	11½	11¾
Cons Bathurst	16¼	16¼
Gulf Oil	20	20
Hawker/Sid Can	21⅛	21⅛
Hudson Bay Min	5⅛	6⅛
Imasco	23	22¾
Imperial Oil	50⅜	50½
Int Pipe	42¾	42¾
Mass.-Fergsn	3.35	3.35
Royal Trustco	20⅜	20½
Seagram	57⅜	58¾
Steel Co	19⅞	19⅞
Thomson N 'A'	20⅞	20¾
Walker Hiram	31⅞	31¾
WCT	16½	16¼

⊖ Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Early loss for shares

New York (Reuter) – Wall Street fell slightly at midmorning yesterday, as most of its early gain disappeared.

The Dow Jones industrial average was *down 0.27 points* at 1,368.46. Advancing issues led declines by a two-one margin on volume of *36.55* million shares.

Beatrice led the active issues down 1⅛ to 42⅜. Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts has raised its buyout offer to $47 from $45, but has kept the cash portion at $40.

US Steel fell ¼ to 27¼. The company agreed to acquire *Texas Oil and Gas* in an exchange of stock. Texas Oil and Gas was down one 1¼ to 16⅝.

Analysts said stocks have been responding to a statement by the Federal Reserve Board Chairman Mr Paul Volcker *that* the Fed will remain accommodative.

● Sales of new single family homes in the US fell 2.6 per cent last month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 681,000 units, the Commerce Department said.

The decline came after a revised decrease of 5.4 per cent in August.

Last month's decline brought the sales *pace* 1.6 per cent above the September 1984 rate *of 670,000 units, the department said.*

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling					
Dec 85	88.67	88.74	88.62	88.63	2831
Mar 86	89.17	89.24	89.10	89.10	550
Jun 86	89.40	89.46	89.35	89.35	235
Sep 86	89.35	89.36	89.33	89.31	101
Previous day's total open interest 7330					
Three Month Eurodollar					
Dec 85	92.02	92.16	92.01	92.08	85.36
Mar 86	91.79	91.99	91.78	91.85	2356
Jun 86	91.42	91.60	91.42	91.47	792
Sep 86	91.06	91.21	91.06	91.07	392
Previous day's total open interest 21246					
US Treasury Bond					
Dec 85	78-01	78-26	78-01	78-14	7956
Mar 86	76-30	76-31	76-27	77-04	39
Jun 86	NT				0
Previous day's total open interest 3740					
Short Gilt					
Dec 85	98-11	98-12	98-05	98-06	896
Mar 86	NT			98-19	0
Jun 86	NT				0
Previous day's total open interest 1464					
Long Gilt					
Dec 85	112-30	113-16	112-30	113-07	5620
Mar 86	NT			113-09	0
Jun 86	NT				0
Sep 86	NT			112-09	0
Previous day's total open interest 5220					
FT-SE 100					
Dec 85	137.90	137.95	137.05	137.50	326
Mar 86	NT			138.50	0
Previous day's total open interest 1791					

COMMODITIES

London's markets were dominated by the great tin crisis and the latest bout of dollar weakness.

On the London Metal Exchange tin trading remained suspended and nickel, zinc, and aluminium traded around their lowest for three years. Another cut in the European zinc producer price looks likely.

Softs were a bit quieter, but coffee still showed life as the extent of the Brazilian frost becomes clear.

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices
Official volume figures
Prices in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolff & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER HIGH GRADE
Cash 982.00-983.00
Three months 984.50-985.00
Vol 4,900
Tone Steady

STANDARD CATHODES
Cash 941.00-941.50
Three months 965.00-968.00
Vol 100
Tone Quiet

TIN STANDARD
Suspended.

LEAD
Cash 276.00-277.00
Three months 281.50-282.00
Vol 2,250
Tone Steady

ZINC STANDARD
Cash 384.00-386.00
Three months –
Vol 200
Tone Quiet

ZINC HIGH GRADE
Cash 401.00-403.00
Three months 413.00-414.00
Vol 5,050
Tone Steady

SILVER LARGE
Cash 423.5-424.5
Three months 437.0-438.0
Vol 4
Tone Quiet

SILVER SMALL
Cash 423.5-424.5
Three months 437.0-438.0
Vol Nil
Tone Idle

ALUMINIUM
Cash 352.50-353.50
Three months 675.00-676.50
Vol 3,800
Tone Steady

NICKEL
Cash 2,795-2,805
Three months 2,795-2,805
Vol 258
Tone Steady

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on October 30

GB: Cattle, 93.45p per kg lw (–0.92).
GB: Sheep, 150.07p per kg est d c w (–6.45).
GB: Pigs, 79.23p per kg lw (–3.57).

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. down 1.8 per cent. ave. price, 93.21p (+1.12).
Sheep nos. down 8.8 per cent. ave. price, 150.38p (–6.69).
Pig nos. up 12.2 per cent. ave. price, 79.23p (–3.57).

Scotland:
Cattle nos. up 11.4 per cent. ave. price, 94.38p (+0.13).
Sheep nos. down 18.7 per cent. ave. price, 147.31p (–4.63).

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
Nov	£106.60	£107.25
Jan	£109.55	£110.00
Mar	£112.25	£112.80
May	£115.10	£114.85
Jly	£117.70	–
Sep	£97.15	£97.35

Volume:
Wheat 151
Barley 143

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE
Live Pig Contract
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Nov	Unq	Unq
Jan	Unq	Unq
Feb	Unq	Unq
Mar	Unq	Unq
Apr	Unq	Unq
May	Unq	Unq
Jun	Unq	Unq
Jul	Unq	Unq
Aug	Unq	Unq
Sep	Unq	Unq
Oct	Unq	Unq
		Vol: 0

Pig meat
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Nov	1184	1182
Feb	1017	1012
Apr	1033	1027
Jun	1014	1007
Aug	995	991
Oct	1039	1040
		Vol: 40

LONDON POTATO FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
Nov	61.80	62.30
Feb	65.80	68.50
Apr	75.10	75.60
May	81.30	81.60
		Vol: 489

BALTIC FREIGHT INDEX
G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd report
$10 per index point

	High/Low	Close
Oct 85	905.0-904.0	903.0
Jan 86	913.0-909.0	909.0
Apr 86	963.0-956.0	961.0
Jul 86	–	856.5
Oct 86	930.0-925.0	929.0
Jan 87	930.0-925.0	982.5
Apr 87	–	1045.0
Jul 87	–	925.0

Spot: 904.0
Vol.: 76 lots.

The following prices relate to October 29

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE
Rubber in p per kilo;
Soyabean meal, coffee and cocoa in £ per tonne;
Gas-oil and sugar in US $ per tonne.
G W Joynson and Co report

RUBBER
(all sellers)
Nov 590
Dec 600
Jan unq
Feb unq
Mar unq
Apr unq
May unq
Jun unq
Jul unq
Jan/Mar unq
Apr/Jun unq
Jul/Sep unq
Vol: Nil

SUGAR
(Raw)
No. 6 at 16.40
Dec 141.0–40.0
Mar 151.2–51.0
May 154.6–54.4
Aug 160.4–60.0
Oct 166.0–65.6
Dec unq
Vol: 1,436

SUGAR
(White)
No 5 at 16.25
Dec unq
Mar unq
May unq
Aug unq
Oct unq
Dec unq
Mar unq
Vol: Nil

COCOA
Dec 1656–54
Mar 1698–97
May 1724–23
Jul 1745–44
Sep 1768–67
Dec 1763–62
Mar 1778–67
Vol: 8,440

COFFEE
Nov 1804–1795
Jan 1858–55
Mar 1890–1880
May 1922–20
Jul 1935–30
Sep 1965–35
Nov 2010–1950
Vol: 17,765

SOYABEAN
Dec 126.0–25.7
Feb 127.9–27.8
Apr 127.5–27.3
Jun 125.7–25.3
Aug 126.0–25.3
Oct 128.0–27.0
Dec 130.5–28.0
Vol: 212

GAS OIL
Nov 271.80–70.00
Dec 268.00–67.75
Jan 266.00–65.60
Feb 261.00–60.50
Mar 252.50–52.25
Apr 243.00–42.75
May 237.00–35.50
Jun 232.00–31.00
Jul 232.50–31.00
Vol: 2,087

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

There was further commercial buying of *sterling* on foreign exchange markets yesterday.

At the close the pound showed a rise of 58 points against the dollar at 1.4410, while *its* trade-weighted index reached 81.0 compared with 80.8 overnight.

Against the *mark* the pound showed a rise of 1.27 pfennigs at 3.7737 (3.7610 overnight).

The dollar on the other hand tested 4½ year lows against the yen, eventually closing at 211.05 compared with 212.25.

Dealers *said* the further retreat by the dollar (reflected growing speculation that US interest rates will be cut soon, with possibly a federal discount rate reduction this weekend.

An indication of cheaper US money was the cut by Bankers Trust in its broker *loan* rate although the ¼ per cent reduction to 8¾ per cent was only in line with general levels.

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range October 30	*Market rates close October 30*	1 month	3 months
New York	$1.4375-1.4465	$1.4405-1.4415	0.45–0.42 c prem	1.30–1.25 c prem
Montreal	$1.9617-1.9716	$1.9671-1.9700	0.55–0.45 c prem	1.52–1.37 c prem
Amsterdam	4.2470-4.2641fl	4.2581-4.2632fl	2–1⅞ c prem	5⅞–5½ c prem
Brussels	76.28-76.59f	76.45-76.57f	21–17 c prem	60–51 c prem
Copenhagen	13.6533-13.7091k	13.6775-13.7091k	3⅜–2⅛ ore prem	8⅝–7⅜ ore prem
Dublin	1.2180-1.2225p	1.2207-1.2217p	26–12 p prem	64–33 p prem
Frankfurt	3.7633-3.7791m	3.7734-3.7782m	2⅛–2 pf prem	6¼–5⅞ pf prem
Lisbon	233.07-236.93e	233.44-236.49e	105–365 e disc	440–1315 e disc
Madrid	231.20-232.09p	231.78-232.09p	10 prem–30 p disc	85–180 p disc
Milan	2540.74-2553.30lr	2545.38-2550.01lr	2–5 lr disc	9–13 lr disc
Oslo	11.3096-11.3542k	11.3263-11.3485k	par–1 ore disc	1⅞–2¼ ore disc
Paris	11.4730-11.5202f	11.5067-11.5176f	2¼–1⅞ c prem	4⅞–3¾ c prem
Stockholm	11.3183-11.3571k	11.3299-11.3521k	2½–3¼ ore disc	7⅜–8¼ ore disc
Tokyo	304.02-305.12y	304.31-304.68y	1⅛–⅞ y prem	3⅛–2¾ y prem
Vienna	26.45-26.54sch	26.51-26.54sch	13⅝–12 gro prem	39⅛–36⅞ gro prem
Zurich	3.0674-3.0985f	3.0935-3.0978f	2⅛–1⅞ c prem	5½–5⅛ c prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up 0.2 at 81.0 (day's range 80.8-81.0).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	1.1564–1.1587
Australia dollar	2.0535–2.0580
Bahrain dinar	0.5400–0.5440
Brazil cruzeiro	12257.00–12324.00
Cyprus pound	0.7960–0.8060
Finland marka	8.0900–8.1300
Greece drachma	220.10–222.10
Hong Kong dollar	11.2260–11.2410
India rupee	17.25–17.45
Iraq dinar	n.a.
Kuwait dinar (KD)	0.4205–0.4245
Malaysia dollar	3.5182–3.5236
Mexico peso	670.0–700.0
New Zealand dollar	2.4844–2.5079
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.2290–5.2690
Singapore dollar	3.0722–3.0773
South Africa rand	3.6713–3.6928
United Arab Emirates dirham	5.2890–5.3000

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.8000-1.8015
Singapore	2.1320-2.1340
Malaysia	2.4415-2.4435
Australia	0.7007-0.7017
Canada	1.3655-1.3685
Sweden	7.8570-7.8630
Norway	7.8550-7.8600
Denmark	9.4850-9.4900
West Germany	2.6200-2.6220
Switzerland	2.1455-2.1470
Netherlands	2.9565-2.9585
France	7.9900-8.0000
Japan	211.35-211.50
Italy	1769.0-1771.0
Belgium(Comm)	53.05-53.10
Hong Kong	7.7920-7.8250
Portugal	161.75-163.75
Spain	160.40-160.60
Austria	18.33-18.55

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

A stronger rate for the pound set *the mood for money markets* yesterday. Rates turned easier in the periods, ending between $\frac{1}{16}$ *and* $\frac{3}{16}$ *lower on the day*. Volume improved, and business was seen in most maturities.

A good *deal* of money came on offer in the three-month, six-month and nine-month rates. The 12-month periods, not overlooked, were not quite so busy as the rest.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 11½
Finance House 12

Discount Market Loans%
Overnight: High 11½ Low 11
Week fixed: 11½

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	11¼	2 months	$11\frac{7}{32}$
3 months	$11\frac{3}{16}$	3 months	$11\frac{3}{32}$

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)

1 month	$11\frac{11}{32}$–$11\frac{5}{16}$	2 months	11¼–$11\frac{7}{16}$
3 months	$11\frac{3}{16}$–$11\frac{5}{32}$	6 months	10¾–$10\frac{11}{16}$

Trade Bills (Discount %)

1 month	$11\frac{31}{32}$	2 months	11⅞
3 months	$11\frac{13}{16}$	6 months	11⅝

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 11¾–11½ close 11⅛–11

1 week	11¾–11½	6 months	$11\frac{9}{16}$–11½
1 month	$11\frac{11}{16}$–$11\frac{9}{16}$	9 months	11⅝–11¼
3 months	11⅝–$11\frac{9}{16}$	12 months	$11\frac{5}{16}$–$11\frac{3}{16}$

Local Authority Deposits (%)

2 days	11½	7 days	11½
1 month	$11\frac{7}{16}$	3 months	$11\frac{7}{16}$
6 months	11⅛	12 months	10¾

Local Authority Bonds (%)

1 month	12¼–12	2 months	12⅛–11⅞
3 months	12–11¾	6 months	11⅞–11¾
9 months	11¾–11½	12 months	11⅝–11⅜

Sterling CDs (%)

1 month	$11\frac{21}{32}$–$11\frac{9}{16}$	3 months	11½–$11\frac{7}{16}$
6 months	11¼–11⅛	12 months	11⅛–11

Dollar CDs (%)

1 month	7.90–7.80	3 months	7.95–7.85
6 months	8.05–7.95	*12 months*	8.35–8.25

EURO-CURRENCY DEPOSITS %

Dollar		call	8⅛–7⅝
7 days	7⅞–7¾	1 month	7⅞–7¾
3 months	8–7⅞	6 months	$8\frac{1}{16}$–$7\frac{15}{16}$
Deutschmark		*call*	*5-4*
7 days	$4\frac{13}{16}$–$4\frac{11}{16}$	1 month	$4\frac{13}{16}$–$4\frac{11}{16}$
3 months	$5\frac{1}{16}$–$4\frac{15}{16}$	6 months	$5\frac{3}{16}$–$5\frac{1}{16}$
French Franc		call	9½–8½
7 days	$9\frac{5}{16}$–$9\frac{3}{16}$	*1 month*	$9\frac{5}{16}$–$9\frac{3}{16}$
3 months	9⅞–9¾	6 months	10⅞–10¾
Swiss Franc		call	2-1
7 days	2⅛–2	1 month	4⅛–4
3 months	$4\frac{11}{16}$–$4\frac{9}{16}$	*6 months*	$4\frac{11}{16}$–$4\frac{9}{16}$
Yen		call	7-6
7 days	7⅜–7¼	1 month	7⅜–7¼
3 months	7⅞–7¾	6 months	7½–7¼

GOLD

Krugerrand* (per coin):
$328.50-330.00 (£227.50-228.75)
Sovereigns* (new):
$78.00-79.00 (£54.00-54.75)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period 4 September, 1985 to 1 October, 1985, inclusive: 11.597 per cent.

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price		Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
101	87	Atlas	94		+2	2.6	2.7	..
698	590	Alliance	640		+5	26.1n	4.1	..
155	118	Amer Trust	125		+1	4.9	3.4	..
302	246	Ang Amer Sec	277		+4	8.1	2.9	..
145	123	Ashdown	135		+1	4.2b	3.1	..
120	88	Atlantic Assets	105		+2	0.8	0.7	..
102	83	Bankers	93	●	..	3.5b	3.8	..
194	152	Berry	164		..	1.4b	0.9	..
176	152	Border & Sthrn	170½	●	+2½	5.1	3.0	..
216	190	Br Assets	213		–1	10.9b	5.1	..
31¼	25	Br Empire Sec	30¾		–¼	1.3	4.2	..
373	312	British Inv	367		+5	20.3	5.5	..
79½	64	Brunner	78½		+½	3.1b	4.0	..
89	72	Charter Agency	83		..	3.2b	3.8	..
665	525	Continental	623		+3	28.6	4.6	..
178	119	Crescent Japan	140		+2	1.1	0.8	..
485	385	Delta	380		..	..	..	..
112	97	Derby Inc	110		..	10.8	9.8	..
112	95	Do Cap	112		..	..	..	..
330	264	Drayton Cons	328		–2	13.4b	4.1	..
148	112	Drayton Far East	131		..	1.6	1.2	..
420	348	Drayton Japan	409		+1	3.6e	0.9	..
518	393	Drayton Premier	512		+2	20.7b	4.0	..
183	160	Dundee Lon	182		+3	7.4b	4.1	..
118	89	Edin Amer Asset	99		+1	0.6	0.6	..
117	103	Edinburgh	115	●	+1	4.6b	4.0	..
292	254	Electric Gen	280		+4	5.1	1.8	..
135	114	English Int	135		+1	5.0	3.7	..
79	65	English Scot	79		+1	1.9	2.4	..
109	91	English NY	109		+1	3.6	3.3	..
97	76	F & C Alliance	84		+1	2.4	2.9	..
165	122	F&C Pacific	136	●	..	1.8b	1.3	..
230	166	Family	230	●	+2	11.3b	4.9	..
279	242	First Scot Amer	271		+2	12.9b	4.7	..
105	90	First Un Gen	100		..	8.7	8.7	..
590	415	Fleming American	448		..	7.5	1.7	..
285	235	Fleming Claver	285		+3	12.8	4.5	..
276	233	Fleming Enterprise	276		+1	12.1	4.4	..
109	76	Fleming Far East	79		+1	1.4	1.8	..
113	100	Fleming Fledgling	108		+1	3.6	2.4	..
580	405	Fleming Japan	439	●	+3	5.7	1.3	..
121½	105	Fleming Mercantile	121½		+2	4.3	3.5	..
134	100	Fleming Overseas	110		+1	3.9	3.8	..
188	120	Fleming Tech	132		+2	3.3	2.5	..
334	268	Fleming Universal	292	●	+6	7.1	2.4	..
74	53	For Col	66		+1	2.0b	3.0	..
121	82	GBC Capital	94		–3	..	..	..
185	115	GT Japan	128		..	2.0	1.6	..
135	97	General Funds	135		+1	2.7	2.0	..
264	230	General Cons	264		+2	14.3b	5.4	..
125	103½	Glasgow Stock	120		+1	2.9b	2.4	..
300	251	Globe	300		+4	14.5	4.8	

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price		Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
256	202	Greenfriar	256		+4	2.3	0.9	..
275	220	Gresham House	280		+5	6.3	2.4	..
164	138	Hambros	160		+2	6.0	3.8	..
258	226	Hill (P)	256	●	+2	13.6	5.3	..
540	445	Invest-in Success	505		+5	7.8	1.5	..
237	206	Inv Cap	237		+1	5.2b	2.2	..
82	48½	Japan Assets	48½		..	0.1	0.2	..
161½	127	Lake View	145	●	+½	3.3	2.3	..
191	162	Law Debenture	164		+1	6.6b	4.7	..
86	66	Lon Merchant Sec	81	●	..	3.1	3.9	..
89	66	Lon Trust	76		+1	6.1	8.0	..
104	86	Merchants	103		+1	5.4b	5.2	..
174	133	Monks	149		..	3.4b	2.3	..
126½	105	Murray Income	126½	●	+½	7.7	6.1	..
117	85	Murray Growth	113		–4	2.0	1.8	..
135	112	Murray Int	135		+2	6.4e	4.8	..
197	165	Murray Small	197		+1	3.7	1.9	..
235	266	Murray Venture	295	●	+2	7.9	2.7	..
393	354	New Court	391		+3	20.4	5.3	..
77	61	New Darien Oil	66		..	0.5	0.7	..
178	153	1928	167		+4	6.7	4.0	..
48½	37	Nwthrog Inc 83	48½		..	3.9	8.0	..
243	157	New Tokyo	157		–3	1.4e	0.9	..
324	246	Nth Atlantic Sec	285		+2	4.8	1.7	..
128	75	Nth Sea Assets	78		..	0.7	0.9	..
283	227	Nthn Amer	256		+6	7.7b	3.0	..
142	128	Outwich	142		+8	4.3	3.0	..
101	73	Pacific Assets	76		..	..	..	..
43	33	Do Wrnts	34		..	..	..	..
45	32	Personal Assets	40½		..	0.3	0.7	..
340	292	Raeburn	321		+1	14.1b	4.4	..
144	125	River & Merc	143		..	7.9b	5.5	..
236	198	River Plate	225		+2	10.7	4.7	..
192	169	Robeco	182		+2	..	..	..
171	150	Rolinco	165		..	..	..	..
267	238	Romney	251		+5	6.8b	2.7	..
11⅛	10	Rorento	£11		..	..	..	..
113	95	St Andrews	112		..	4.0b	3.8	..
290	235	Scottish	290		..	7.8	2.7	..
267	211	Scot American	257		+6	8.4	3.1	..
89	73	Scot Eastern	89		+1	2.9b	3.3	..
408	345	Scot Mtge	380	●	+5	10.7b	2.8	..
243	204	Scot Nat	235		+3	6.4b	2.7	..
383	354½	Scot Merc 'A'	375		+6	20.0	5.4	..
596	500	Secnd Alliance	546		+6	23.2	4.5	..
135	106	Sec Of Scotland	133	●	+3½	6.9b	5.2	..
78	61	Smaller Cos	68		+5	1.7e	2.5	..
38	32	Stewart Enterp	37½		..	0.6	1.5	..
146	116	Stockholders	119		+1	3.6	3.0	..
100	75	Tr Australia	87		..	3.1b	3.5	..
96	76	Tr City Of Lon Dfd	96		+1	5.8b	5.7	..

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price		Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
155½	137	Tr Ind & Gen	155		–½	5.4b	3.5	
255	205	Tr Natural Res	214		..	10.7	5.0	
111	79	Tr North America	85		+1	2.6	3.1	
145½	111	Tr Pacific Basin	121		..	1.4b	1.2	
151	129	Tr Property	150		..	5.1	3.4	
101	79	Tr Tech	87½		+1	2.5	2.8	
144	124	Tr Trustees	144		+2	5.4b	3.8	
138	111	Temple Bar	135		+2	7.1b	5.2	
250	211	Throgmorton	247		+3	10.7b	4.3	
308	248	Throg Secured Cap	308		+3	..	..	
167	137	Trans Oceanic	150		+1	4.8b	3.2	
120	103	Tribune	118		+1	3.3	2.9	
82½	74	Triplevest Inc	76½		..	14.7	19.2	
218	188	US Debenture	214		+2	9.3b	4.4	
82	62	Viking Resource	63		+½	1.7	2.7	
88	61	Westpool	83	●	..	2.2	2.8	
110	84	Wintrbottm Energy	98		..	1.0b	1.1	
159	139	Witan	159		+1	3.9	2.5	
284	259	Yeoman	281		+2	13.6b	4.8	

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price		Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
470	380	Akroyd & Smithers	450		..	..	..	17.[illegible]
67½	36¾	American Express	£31⅛	●	+⅞	..	..	
45	19	Argyle	36		..	..	..	16.4
95	52	Boustead	84		+1	..	..	
148	88	Britannia Arrow	148	●	+6	3.7	2.5	22.9
15¾	8⅞	Daily Mail	£15¼		..	60.0	3.9	16.3
14⅝	8⅛	Do 'A'	£14⅝		..	60.0	4.1	15.8
137	113	Electra	137		+1	5.3	3.9	34.9
101	73	Eng Assoc	97	●	..	3.9	4.0	13.4
248	176	Exco	227	●	+3	4.5	2.0	18.1
85	60	Exploration	68	●	..	3.0	4.4	12.1
436½	330	Framlington	390		+15	7.1	1.8	18.1
95	58	Frost Gp	87		+3			
105	44	Goode (D & M)	97		..	1.8	1.8	18.9
940	576	Henderson Admin	930		..	22.9	2.5	13.4
865	568	M & G	865		+10	19.3	2.2	34.4
300	217	Mercantile House	257		+3	18.6	7.2	6.9
405	300	Mills & Allen	335	●	..	22.9	6.8	8.8
113	75	Pacific Inv Tst	78		..	..	..	..
41	20	Do Warrants	22½		..	..	..	..
181	93	Smith Brothers	180		+1	8.6	4.8	20.9

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Share prices continue record run

By Pam Spooner

Stock market indices continued to break records with the FT 30-share marker rising another 6 points to 1,067.3 and the FT-SE 100 up 9.4 points at 1,373.8.

Institutional buying is still given as the spur to prices, with a general shortage of stock forcing the jobbers to mark blue chips higher. The bullish tone of the City is encouraging the buyers to move in, with some analysts forecasting much more to come.

First Castle Electronics is getting into the good books of the broking firms. A series of visits by the company is well under way, and the shares being put on "buy" lists. Albert E. Sharp, the Birmingham broker, expects profits of £3.1 million for 1986, putting FCE on a prospective p/e fo about 9. The shares were 1p up at 94p yesterday, still well below the 1985 peak of 121p.

De Zoete & Bevan, the broker, publishes its next equity comment soon, but is already telling clients the happy news. De Zoete is believed to be forecasting a 30 per cent jump in equity values, on the basis of improving international trading.

Western governments seem determined, and able, to keep the dollar under control, to give interest rates and commodity and product prices a chance to reach more equitable levels.

But all is not harmony in the Square Mile. Another broking house takes the opposite view.

Wood Mackenzie has issued its regular equity comment and warns clients that "the chances of a (downward) correction in the equity market are now high. Traders should sell. Strategic investors should turn their attention towards the index-linked market".

Wood Mackenzie says equity values are now 11 per cent higher than they were in July, when it was advising aggressive buying. "On a 12 month view we estimate that the market offers a return of no more than 10 per cent", the firm adds.

While the analysts battle it out with the investors, stocks such as **Glaxo Holdings** continue to keep the pot boiling. Glaxo shares rose 50p to 144p yesterday on the back of US buying. The drugs group is said to have another winning product for the North American market to put alongside the profit-boosting Zantac.

Imperial Chemical Industries was also liked by the New York set apparently, and edged 5p higher to 644p. **Allied-Lyons** was another which helped push the indices up, rising 7p to 278p. Few market traders expect Elders IXL's bid of 255p to win Allied and the takeover battle still has some way to run, it seems.

Market men had a good indication of where the Underwoods striking price was heading. Yesterday morning, before the striking level was set, Cleveland Securities, the licensed dealer which makes a book in the shares, was bidding 195p and offering 205p. Though the Cleveland price settled back around 195p middle later, it augured well – for the after market in shares of the London-based chemist chain.

Prices of government stocks moved sharply higher, up £⅞ at one stage. Money market rates eased early in the day, giving rise to hopes of an interest rate cut. But the cheerfulness was dulled later, and gilt prices had gains trimmed to £¼.

Woolworth Holdings stays among the favourites on the stores pitches. Steady buying took the shares 13p higher to 561p yesterday, with analysts *confident* that the price will soon pass 600p.

One broking firm, Williams De Broe Hill Chaplin, is a particular fan of the high street group. The firm forecasts profits of £87 million for the year to January 1986, against £56.8 million last time, and believes that £120 million is possible for 1986/7.

A turnround in profitability of the old high street stores is at the heart of the optimism. Analysts believe sales per square foot and margins are rising even without the help of the revamping of the shops. The B & Q do-it-yourself chain is expected to maintain its strong growth record.

Boots and **British Home Stores** continued to find buyers, the shares rising 3p and 4p respectively. Enthusiasm for these leading companies prevails, and **Marks and Spencer**, which on Tuesday reported good half year results, improved another 1p to 108p.

Second-line stores shares were also pennies better, with **Superdrug** gaining 5p to 483p alongside the higher-than-expected striking price for competitor Underwoods. But **Owen Owen**, which has agreed takeover terms with Ward White, was trimmed 7p lower to 531p as bid excitement subsided.

Clayform, whose contested bid for Owen Owen has been topped by an agreed bid from Ward White, will either accept Ward White's offer or sell its shares in the market. It expects to make a profit of £2.2 million on its 1.1 million Owen Owen shares.

Henderson Group got a warm response from the market, despite the 8 per cent fall in half-year profits. The company is regarded as well managed and likely to make up for the shortfall in the second half. After a poor recent patch for the shares, the market quickly marked the price 25p higher at 241p.

Bid spotters piled into Hillards shares yesterday, pushing the share price 28p higher to 221p. The market believes the cash raising exercise by Safeway Stores is the preliminary to an offer for Hillards. At this price the Yorkshire-based supermarket chain is valued at under £55 million – easy pickings for a large company such as Safeway.

Reed International, which also reported interim results yesterday, saw its share price flurry above 690p before settling for a net fall on the day of 2p at 687p.

Jaguar, the car maker, was up another 8p at 311p as the City continues to look forward to next month's US quote for the shares. Chartists are also said to be bullish of the stock again.

RECENT ISSUES

	Closing Price
A M S Industries 5p Ord (95)	104
Aberdeen Steak Houses 5p Ord (67a)	64
Anglo United Dev (34)	36
Britoil 10p Ord (185) £1 paid	148+5
Colorgen Com Stk $0.01 (90a)	105
Conrad Hldgs 25p Ord (70)	82+4
C P M 5p Ord (125a)	125
Cowells 25p Ord (88a)	93
Davidson Pearce 10p Ord (160)	165
Electronic Data Proc. 5p Ord (75a)	73
Fairbriar 10p Ord (120)	108
Gibbon Lyons 10p Ord (72a)	70
InfraRed $0.10 Com Stk (94a)	93
Israel (Jack L) 4p Ord (20a)	29½+1
Just Rubber 10p Ord (62a)	58
Kewill Systems 5p Ord (79a)	82−1
Lysander Petroleum 5p Ord (65a)	64
Metsec 10p Ord (67a)	70
Questel 10p Ord (180a)	175
Radius 5p Ord (95a)	95
St Ives Group 10p Ord (330*)	458+2
Shandwick 2p Ord (175)	185
Rights issues	
Brasway (55) Nil Pd	11 prem
Emess Lighting (210) Fully Pd	247

Issue price in parentheses, a Unlisted Securities, *by tender.

Traded option highlights

Business was brisk in the London traded options market yesterday with volume reaching 14,307 contracts. Six options provided the main source of activity. The dollar/sterling instrument notched up 1,715 contracts. M&S reached 700. Lonrho 971, Courtaulds 1,104, Consgold 1,048 and the stock market index option chalked up 1,699 contracts. There was little excitement elsewhere. This morning brings expiry in the October SEI option.

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

Room for 'banking factories' in City

By Judith Huntley

"The City of London can accommodate millions of square feet of new office development in the shape of 'banking factories'. London Wall alone could take over 8 million sq ft of development with Upper Thames Street able to provide 1 million sq ft of space."

Heady words indeed from the City of London Corporation's new planning officer, Mr Peter Rees, who has hotfooted it from Lambeth to revolutionize development perceptions in the Square Mile.

The City Corporation, highly sensitive to charges that it was stifling the City's lifeblood in its conservation oriented draft *development* plan, is in the process of making sweeping changes to the next version, available for public consultation next spring.

There is a remarkable volte-face going on with in Guildhall over a plan which has provoked 1,500 comments, many of them highly critical of what is seen as a negative and dated document.

The spur to amending the draft development plan has also come from the proposals to develop 10 million sq ft of offices in Docklands, a move which received the Governor of the Bank of England's blessing at an important City dinner a short time ago.

Norwich Union has started work on its £15 million shopping centre in Hereford, known as The Orchards. The development will have 150,000 sq ft of space with three large units. One is already under offer to C & A. The insurance company owns a freehold site adjacent to the main scheme which it is developing with another six shops. Norwich Union has a 125-year lease from Hereford council for the development which will have 300 parking spaces and a food court. The letting agents are Donaldsons. Hartnell Taylor & Cook

Mr Rees is anxious to stress that he wishes Docklands well but he is "selling" development opportunities in the City for all he is worth. The backlash from the Corporation's planners has arrived.

Mr Rees has been doing the rounds of some of the largest banking and financial services companies operating in the Square Mile, asking them what kind of buildings they want. He is now applying his planning and architectural skills to looking at the development potential of key areas in the City which could take dealing floors of 50,000 sq ft or more.

Upper Thames Street is one such area being considered for large scale development. The site of the Little Ship Club which was to have been developed by Eagle Star insurance company could well take what he describes as a "banking factory." And the redevelopment potential of Vintry House, a scheme close to the heart of St Quintin, the estate agents, is also a possibility on the river.

The old wharves still lining the Thames along Upper Thames Street present big scope for redevelopment. Sunlight Wharf, owned by the Lep Group, the international freight forwarder, could soon be developed with at least 200,000 sq ft of space. And Hammerson, which owns Brooks Wharf next door, also has long-term redevelopment plans. Mr Rees is suggesting that developers look at the marriage value their sites have and build over Upper Thames Street itself.

The same solution is put forward for London Wall where Mr Rees argues 8 million sq ft of new space could replace the poor quality 1960s buildings along it. The City Corporation owns the land and would be set to make a hefty profit from selling the air rights if London Wall were to be built over.

Financial matters do not fall within Mr Rees's ambit but such grandiose plans, redolent of the *Sixties* themselves, have to be paid for. Admittedly City rents are showing signs of real growth but whether that is enough to pay for very expensive developments on the lines envisaged by Mr Rees is another matter.

London has highest office costs in world

The City of London has again emerged as the world's most expensive office location. The latest look at world rental levels and occupation costs by Richard Ellis, the chartered surveyors, puts the City highest, with overall occupation costs of £58.10 a sq ft.

Close behind is Tokyo, as a result of the strengthening of the yen. Tokyo's occupation costs are £49.89 a sq ft. Mid-town New York comes third at £48.08 a sq ft.

Richard Ellis ascribes the high costs of occupying space in these three cities to the fact that they are all international financial centres where the demand for office space is high.

The gap between the top three and the remaining cities surveyed is large. San Francisco is fourth, at £30.16 a sq ft, followed by Hong Kong at £27.79, Los Angeles at £25.79, and Chicago at £23.79.

Rents in New York's Manhattan, at £35.26 a sq ft, are marginally higher than those in the City at £35. But at £41.34 a sq ft Tokyo rents are highest, having risen for the first time in two years. And Paris, experiencing a boom in the city centre, has seen rents climbing steadily to £22.06 a sq ft. They are now above 1975 levels in real terms.

Paris is the only European city in the Richard Ellis survey where rents have recovered to this extent from the mid-1970s recession, although London is approaching 1975 levels.

Rents in Hong Kong have risen significantly from £21.68 a sq ft in May this year to £24.21 a sq ft six months later. The general upward increase in rents in the Richard Ellis survey allied with growing business confidence is now being reflected in yields.

London, New York and Paris have shown small yield decreases which are pushing up capital values. The other centres surveyed with the exception of Johannesburg, show yields remaining steady.

Allied London bid to build M20 services

● Allied London Properties, which released its preliminary results this week, showed a small increase in the value of its portfolio, from £71.1 million to £78.2 million.

Allied has finally let 70 per cent of Central House, Hounslow, west London, at rents of £13.50 a sq ft, albeit with six and three-month rent-frees. And the holdings near the M25 are expected to produce good growth in the next year or so. One of the key sites held by Allied is land on both sides of the M20 motorway, near Brands Hatch in Kent.

Allied wants to develop a motorway service station there. Allied's holdings are more than the space needed to build a service area and it might come to some arrangement with Grovewood Securities, which owns Brands Hatch. Allied's site is adjacent to the Grovewood site.

● The Arab Banking Corporation of Bahrain is believed to have sub-let a small amount of space in its 49,000 sq ft of offices at 1 Moorgate, in the City of London, to an Italian bank for £48 a sq ft. Arab Banking bought the freehold building from Commercial Union Properties for £41.5 million this year.

● Frogmore Estates' preliminary figures for the year to June 30 should encourage the property sector. The independent valuation of the portfolio shows a surplus of £12.9 million – £5.1 million more than last year's internal valuation. The portfolio now stands at over £87 million while the net asset value rose by 24 per cent to 226p per share. This is made up of the surplus on revaluation and retained earnings. Pretax profits were only slightly up at £10.20 million from £9.08 million. Gearing is being reduced with borrowings down by over 40 per cent to £16.7 million.

● ISIS Commercial Properties, the company owned by ISIS Group and Bardgrove Estates, has come to a development agreement with Prudential Assurance at Cribbs Causeway, Bristol. ISIS has held a significant part of the land there for some time and the agreement with the Pru consolidates the land holdings.

There are also plans for a business park at Cribbs Causeway where ISIS will be development managers.

The company recently handed over a 220,000 sq ft distribution centre for Argyll Stores on the site. Hartnell Taylor Cook and King & Co acted for the Pru.

Brent Walker Holdings PLC

Interim Results

- Pre-tax profits up 90% to £1,558,000
- All divisions continuing to show excellent performance
- A balanced spread of profits

	28 weeks to 14.7.85 Unaudited £000's	28 weeks to 15.7.84 Unaudited £000's	52 weeks to 31.12.84 Audited £000's
Turnover	9,154	6,750	19,906
Profit before taxation	1,558	821	2,090
Profit after taxation	1,402	821	2,033

TEMPUS

Reed International trips on consumer publishing

The ups and downs of Reed International's interim trading performance were reflected closely in its share price movement. Soon after the figures were announced the shares raced ahead 28p to 717p, only to see the entire gain and more wiped out later in the day to close down 2p at 687p.

The initial euphoria was inspired by good first-half pretax profits of £51.1 million, up from £45.2 million and well in line with expectations. However, the stock market is still nervous about granting Reed International the kind of instant rerating that its divestment/investment programme seems to demand. the temptation to take profits has proved to be a safer option.

Certainly the profits breakdown was sufficiently mixed to allow the pessimists room to voice their fears with an element of justification. The consumer publishing division reported trading profits £3 million lower at £2.5 million and will show an overall decline for the year. Paints and do-it-yourself could only stand still in the first half.

However, these disappointments were more than offset elsewhere. European paper moved from break-even to a *£3.8 million trading profit*, and North American paper increased its contribution from £3.7 million to £8 million.

It should also be pointed out that the group's performance was achieved against a background of difficult volume conditions, particularly in Britain and North America.

Reed now has to demonstrate that having almost concluded its substantial restructuring, which has dragged on a little too long for some followers' liking, it can take advantage of this work and begin to make the returns on capital which will appease the doubting Thomases.

Certainly the group's cause has not been helped by the downturn in consumer publishing. Some observers believe that the company should be rated as publishing rather than a paper concern. The setback this year is therefore unwelcome.

However, it is not sufficient in itself to undermine the longer term prospects for Reed. The present rerating which has seen the shares come from 600p to around 700p since the summer has perhaps run its course, but on the assumption that the group will make £15 million this year its p/e of 11 does not look demanding in the long term.

There has been some speculative interest in the stock which has now fizzled out. Yesterday's results provided the chance for some of Reed's less committed investors to leave the way clear for the long-term shareholder to take advantage of what remains a fundamentally attractive stock.

International City Holdings

International City Holdings is coming to the stock market ay an awkward moment. As a money broker, its valuation is likely to be affected by the recent fall from favour of companies such as Mercantile House and Exco. The share pricing also takes into account the company's own unhappy past. As a result, the price tag is a modest £87 million.

The impressive profits record shown in the prospectus has been drawn up as if the company, formerly known as Charles Fulton, had been in its present form for five years. The figures have been presented as if all the acquistitions had been *made in 1980* or ven earlier. The only exception is the New York money broker Prebon, whose contribution is included only since its acquisition in January 1984.

In fact, International City is the result of a series of buyouts from Mercantile House, which acquired the group in 1982 when it was in difficulties. In addition, it has acquired Prebon and more recently a leasing company. In total, these acquisitions cost about £45 million.

As shown, profits have risen from £317,000 in 1981 to £11.4 million in the year to July 1985. Of that, the original money broking business accounts for a third, Prebon for more than half and leasing for most of the rest.

The company has plenty of ideas for developing this base. It is to be one of six inter dealer brokers in the gilts market after the big bang. It would like to broaden its coverage of foreign exchange broking and build up in financial futures. It is determined to remain a broker, never taking a position, in whatever markets it enters.

Ideas, however, are not enough to make profits. Changes in the City and continuing competition in Wall Street make that an increasingly difficult task, although its record gives credence to confidence about the future.

At the offer price of 190p, the shares are trading on only eight times earnings, which takes little on trust and leaves scope for a good premium.

Henderson Group

The 8 per cent fall in The Henderson Group's interim pre-tax profits produced a contrary reaction on the stock market as the shares ended the day 25p up at 241p.

The reason is that first-half difficulties seem to be resolved and full-year profits are expected to recover the lost ground to reach £7 million, against £6.6 million. Intense price competition in garage doors, Henderson's traditional core business, a £200,000 currency loss and a £150,000 loss due to industrial troubles at a Normand Electrical factory, contributed to the first-half depression.

The sale of Westland Engineers to Rio Tinto-Zinc in July relieved the worst of the pricing pressure. Westland's new garage door factory, which came on stream in the spring, was the main culprit. Henderson put through price increases of 8 per cent from the start of this month, which RTZ has followed.

Other areas of Henderson's business did well, including industrial doors, sliding door gear – particularly on the export front – and Abru, the ladder company bought it recently.

The benefits of the £1.4 million gross investment programme should start to be felt in the second half and next year.

Most of the capital spending is now done and there will be positive cash flow this half, net of acquisitions. Gearing, which rose to 23 per cent from 7.8 per cent, will be lower by the year end. With housing starts expected to rise over the next two years, and more starter homes being built with garages, the demand outlook is fairly encouraging.

After the defeat of its bid for R. Cartwright, Henderson does not seem to have another immediate target. The shares are on a prospective p/e of under 13 are a firm hold.

COMPANY NEWS

● **WILLIAMS COLLINS:** The company has agreed to acquire three Norton Opax subsidiaries which include Hunkydory Designs, Claude Gill Books and Foolscap for a total consideration of £5.3 million payable in cash.

● **FLIGHT REFUELLING (Holdings):** Results for the six months to June 30 include an interim dividend of 1.35p (1.10p), payable on December 18. With figures in £000, turnover rose to 37,027 (29,224), operating profit to 5,905 (4,636), pretax profit to 5,934 (4,826) and earnings per share to 8.09p (6.59p).

● **DENCORA:** The company is to raise £3.8 million after expenses by way of a rights issue to finance the expansion of its property development and investment activities throughout East Anglia. The terms are one new ordinary share for every three ordinary shares at 94p apiece.

● **DPCE:** The chairman, Mr Colin Clive, told the annual meeting that in the first quarter of the current year three new contracts totalling £270,000 a year have been signed. Mr Clive said that the British banking community is becoming a big customer for DPCE's computer maintenance services. Its annual revenues from this sector have now reached £1.5 million.

● **AUSTRALIAN MERCHANT HOLDINGS:** This Melbourne-based investment banking group is to seek shareholders' approval to make a redeemable preference share issue to raise Aus $10 million (£5 million) on a short-term basis.

● **BENNETT AND FOUNTAIN:** The company has made two acquisitions, Piercys (Electronics) and Queensway Electrical. Piercys was acquired for £5,000 cash. Queensway was bought for £100,000 cash plus stock at valuation.

● **FEEDEX AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES:** Results for the six months to June 30 include an interim dividend of 0.5p (nil). With figures in £000, turnover was up to 19,667 (18,691), profit before interest to 732 (343) pretax profit to 421 (34) and earnings per share to 1.85p (0.25p).

● **CAMBIUM VENTURE CAPITAL:** Cambium reports that it has an investment costing £269,400 in Open Computer Group and that despite attempts to refinance Open Computer a receiver has been appointed by the company's bankers. The receiver will seek to sell Open Computer as a going concern, but Cambium's investment, which was included in the interim report at cost (3p per share) may have been lost.

● **WIGHT COLLINS RUTHERFORD SCOTT:** Wight is to back a new company "intended to capitalize on the growing interest in event and promotionally-driven media PR opportunities". The consultancy, called Lay and Partners, will be headed by Mr Philip Lay, who has been a director of Biss Lancaster, the PR consultancy acquired by WCRS in February.

● **GUEST KEEN AND NETTLEFOLDS:** GKN Sankey has signed a joint venture agreement with Mitsubishi Steel Manufacturing to develop the composite leaf springs market in Japan. GKN Sankey will hold 60 per cent of the equity and Mitsubishi Steel will hold the remainder.

● **CHAMBERS AND FARGUS:** The chairman, Mr G. S. Kurkijan, says in his annual statement that steps have been taken to restore profitability.

● **JAGUAR:** Jaguar has signed an agreement with the Bank of New York, effective on Nov 11, which permits the bank to act as the sole depositary bank issuing the company-sponsored American Depositary Receipts. Jaguar has also made application for listing of the ADRS on the Nasdaq national market system.

● **DAL:** The West German leasing firm of Deutsche Anlagen-Leasing (DAL), on completing its 1984 accounts, has identified the need to make further risk provisions totalling about 300 million marks (£80 million). DAL is owned by five West German banks.

● **AE GROUP:** The company has acquired control of IHG Gleitlager of Heilbron, a privately-owned West German distributor and manufacturer of specialized dry and prelubricated bearings. IHG has sales of £4 million a year and a customer-base covering the whole of West German industry.

● ***PHILIPS LAMPS:*** *Philips* plans a 200 million Swiss franc (£65 million), 5⅛ per cent, 12–year bond issue at par. A syndicate, led by Swiss Bank Corp., includes Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank and Algemene Bank Nederland.

● **IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES:** ICI and Royal Dutch/Shell Group are holding talks with a view to Shell acquiring ICI's low-density polyethylene (LDPE) business based at Fos, Southern France. ICI has a 100,000 tonnes per annum LDPE plant at Fos.

● **NETI TECHNOLOGIES:** The company's wholly-owned US subsidiary, Network Technologies International, has reached preliminary agreement to acquire the privately-held Participation Systems of Winchester, Massachusetts to expand sales and marketing operations.

● **HENDERSON GROUP:** Results for the six months to August 31 show an interim dividend of 2.5p (2.25p). With figures in £000, turnover was 38,606 (31,991), operating profit 2,900 (2,957), profit before tax 2,605 (2,841), profit after tax 1,580 (1,655) and earnings per share 7.2p (7.5p).

● **MORGAN CRUCIBLE:** The group's subsidiary Morganite Electrical Carbon, has purchased Ekco Instruments, a specialist in the design and manufacture of electronic safety systems for cranes and fork-lift trucks.

● **FALCON RESOURCES:** Shares were temporarily suspended at the company's request pending reorganization and conclusion of talks concerning a substantial acquisition.

● **HTV GROUP:** The chairman, Mr G E McWalters, says in his annual statement that he is sure further progress of the group will be reported next year.

● **AGB RESEARCH:** The company has completed the purchase of the outstanding 7.5 per cent of AGB Hulton for a consideration of £238,822 which is to be satisfied by the issue of 15,000 ordinary shares and the balance of £204,572 in cash.

● **MACFARLANE GROUP** *(Clansman): The group has acquired* Lancashire Box company for £550,000 in a move to expand manufacturing and warehousing facilities for specialist packaging and other materials thoughout the country.

APPOINTMENTS

Trafalgar House Group Premises: **David Brown** has been made a director.

National Nuclear Corporation: **Mr Robert Davidson** has joined the board.

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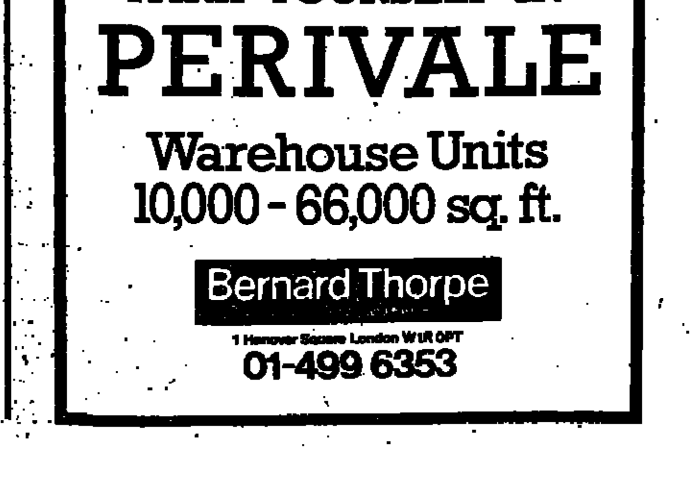
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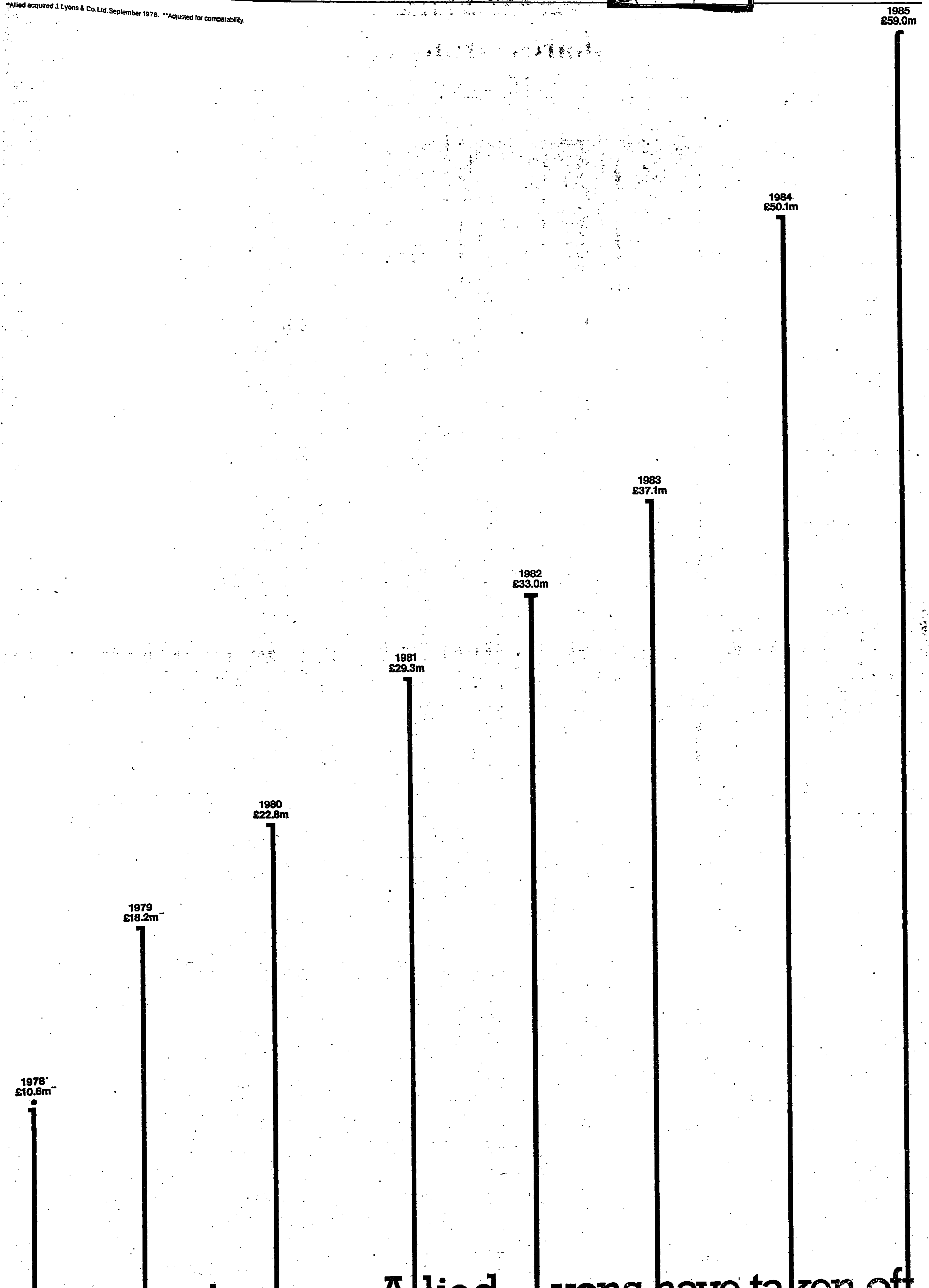

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RUGBY UNION

Victory marred by Fijians' first sending-off in Britain

By Gerald Davies

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The Fijians had a man sent *off the field for the first time in* five visits to the United Kingdom at Rodney Parade yesterday. Mr R. O. P. Jones, the referee, without having had another occasion to warn the two teams, sent the Fijian lock forward, Ilaitia Sabai, off the field.

Mr Jones indicated Savai had been dismissed for butting Daniels, the Newport centre, at a maul. some felt that Savai was *merely attempting to burrow in* with the rest of the pack.

The Fijian manager, Jo Taka, commented: "I did not see the incident – there were too many heads there. I do not want any rough play and I do not know what was behind it. I will find out. Savai is a timid sort of guy *and we have been wanting him* to have more guts. I do not think there will be any repetition of this in our three remaining matches."

Watkins, the Newport captain, had a different view afterwards. He said: "Never mind their South Sea style of *rugby, you want to write about* the way they punch and kick".

Watkins, the former Welsh captain, said: "If George Crawford had been here he would have had a heart attack". That was a reference to Newport's game at Bristol last month, when the referee, London Police Superintendent Crawford walked off during the match *because of the violence.*

Twelve minutes into the *second half both packs erupted* madly in midfield, wrestling and throwing wild punches at each other. Who was to blame it is hard to judge. But such panic may have been a response to the sending off two minutes earlier.

But sadness turned to joy for the Fijians when, in the 39th minute, after Newport's throw in at a lineout close to the line, Namoro came *charging round* the front to dive over for a try *which gave them a victory by a* try and dropped goal to a penalty and a dropped goal.

The style of the match developed, as anticipated, into a contest of contrasting styles. Newport had James kicking to his forwards, but not always to good effect, and Coombs turning in frequently to more advantage, to link up with Collins and Powell. Fiji, with the rare crumbs of possession, *delighted the crowd with their* adventurous running. These *stemmed largely from the home* side's mistakes. If, however, they spent long periods in defence, they could, with the incursions of Kubu from full back, turn it into devastating attack.

There was some delightful running from them. "If Newport continue to play like this," said Arthur Jennings, a Fijian *who played for the All Blacks* on their tour to this country in 1967, "we'll win." Though seemingly highly optimistic at the time, he was, in the end, proved correct.

Newport, who won most of the *possession from Waters in* the lineout and some powerful scrummaging, looked terribly limited and, without being able to convert this pressure into points, looked vulnerable.

Newport led at half time after Callard had kicked a penalty to which James added a dropped goal 30 *minutes into the second* half. As can often happen to a team, a man short, the Fijians found reserves of inspiration and mounted some threatening attacks. In loose play, Kubu dropped a goal, and in a final onslaught, Namoro got his try to give them a dramatic victory.

The Fijians, who have three more matches to play, are *entering the last stage of their* 10-match tour of Wales and Ireland. The tour ends with a match against Wales in Cardiff a week on Saturday.

SCORERS: Newport: Penalty goals: Callard (2). **Fijians: Try:** Namoro. **Dropped goal:** Kubu.
NEWPORT: J Callard; S Pill, D Pitt, P Daniel, S McWilliams; K James, T Coombs, *(rep, C Jonathan)*; J Rawlins, M J Watkins (capt), R Morgan, R Collins, J Widdicombe, D Waters, R Powell, W Rendall *(rep, A Perry).*
FIJIANS: J Kubu; M Nabati, S Laulau, T Cama, J Damu; A Niuqula, P Nawalu; P Volavola, E Rakai, R Namoro, I Finau, I savai, A Hughes, P Gale, E Teleni (capt).
Referee: R O T Jones (Swansea).

Bristol players defy club

***Three Bristol players have* ignored their club policy and agreed to play in Gloucestershire's opening county championship match of the season against Cornwall at Lydney on November 9.**

Bristol and Gloucester have asked players to shun the county because of the new John Smith national merit table. But Phil Cue, Simon Hogg and Matthew Skuse, of Bristol, have been selected by Gloucestershire.

● Rob Ackerman, the London Welsh international centre and Mattheew Watkins flank forward, are back after injury for Saturday's game against the Fijian tourists at Old Deer Park.

Ackerman has missed two games *with a neck and shoulder injury and* takes over from Nigel Rees.

● Police are investigating a complaint about an alleged punching incident in the recent match between Newbridge and Pontypool. Chris Jarman, the Newbridge lock, who was helped from the pitch and spent a night in hospital at Newport after the incident has lodged a complaint at his local police station.

A spokesman for Gwent police confirmed yesterday that they were looking into the matter. "We will have to talk to both the players concerned," he said. Jarman's father Alan, who was at the game, has said he is considering legal action. Neither club has so far made any statement.

Not so fast: Read, of Kent, is apprehended by Hertfordshire's Bates during yesterday's county match at Croxley Green (Photograph: Chris Cole)

Herts sink close to relegation

Kent pushed Hertfordshire closer to relegation with a 32-21 victory in yesterday's county championship match at Croxley Green. Hertfordshire have now lost both their games and face the daunting task of having to beat the champions, Middlesex, if they are to stop themselves playing in Group B of the London division next season.

Field, the Askeans winger, scored 12 points for the visitors but missed six *kicks at goal in* a match Kent should have won more easily. They scored six tries but allowed Hertfordshire to stage a second half recovery which produced 18 points.

Kent effectively won the match with tries from Craig, Bodenham, Colyer and Cheval which helped them to a 22-3 lead at the interval.

But Hertfordshire built on *Smith's first half penalty* with tries from Marcus, Wood and Jones, Holmes converting all three. Kent managed to stay ahead thanks to a try from Read and a try and conversion from Field.

Eastern Counties went top of Group B in the London division in beating Sussex 20-7 at Grange Road, Cambridge.

Despite dominating at line-out and scrum, the counties were unable to capitalize because of poor handling and kicking by their backs. A penalty by King and an *immediate reply by Brinkley, of* Sussex, kept the scores level until first half injury time, when Blackheath's wing, Norcaro scored a try to give the home side the advantage.

Counties' scrum-half, Moore, and their No 8, Easton, capitalized on the forward domination with further tries.

Llanelli can expect an Irish testing

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Llanelli, who play the Fijians in their penultimate tour game next Tuesday, prepare with a testing encounter against *Leinster* at Stradey Park on Saturday. The game was to have been played in Ireland but the Irish province agreed to change the venue to help Llanelli's commitments to Welsh squad demands and the game with the touring side.

Leinster have won both their games so far this season, against Tunisia and the *South of Scotland,* and this will be their last game before the inter-provincial championship begins on November 9, when they play Connaught and Ulster, the champions, play Munster.

They will be without two of their Irish internationals, Doyle, the Greystones scrum half and Spring, the Lansdowne No 8 and d'Arcy the B international from Terenure. All are *injured. Nevertheless, Leinster* have nine internationals available, not to mention Kenny, the Wanderers back row forward

The Scottish inter-district championship does not begin until November 30, the same weekend *that the next national squad get-together* is due. It will be a hectic December for the Scots since not only will the championship be fought out before Christmas they must *also accommodate the B* international with Italy on December 7. There is no intention on the part of the Scottish selectors to imitate England and change their *policy* about picking uncapped players for B internationals.

The Italians, too, have agreed not to pick players who have appeared against International Board countries; those who appear, for example, against the Soviet Union this Saturday will be eligible.

LEINSTER: H MacNeill (London Irish); J McGeady (Lansdowne), B Mullin (Dublin University), J Burns (Wanderers), P Haycock (Terenure); P Dean (St Mary's College), E Costello (Lansdowne); P Orr (Old Wesley), H Harbison (Bective Rangers), D Dowling (St Mary's College), R Kearney (Wanderers), J Holland (Wanderers), N Ridgeway (Wanderers), D McGrath (Old Belvedere), P Kenny (Wanderers).

All Blacks all the way

Mar del Plata (AFP) – The New Zeland All Blacks overwhelmed a local selection 56-6 here. The visitors took a 36-0 half-time lead. Whetton opened their scoring when he went over for a fourth-minute try. More tries followed from Shelford, Hobbs, Clamp, Smith and Whetton again. Deans converted three of them and kicked two penalties.

In the second half the visitors scored tries through Clamp (two), Smith and Sherlok. Deans kicked two more conversions. Amor scored two penalties for the home side.

Paris (AFP) – Former French captain, Jean-Pierre Rives, returns to French *league duty for Paris club* Racing against Grenoble next Sunday. He has been out of league action for several months.

Biarritz (AFP) – French international Serge Blanco has made a quicker recovery than expected after tearing a thigh muscle in the game between France and Japan at Dax on October 20.

GOLF

25 top players will share $2m under new points scheme

New York, (Reuter) – The Professional Golfers' Association yesterday unveiled plans for the biggest ever sports *bonus points* pool, $2 million (about £1.35m), to *be shared by* the top 25 golfers of the season.

The PGA Tour said its bonus points system next year will determine an overall champion who will win $500,000 *in addition to* regular tournament earnings. Sponsored by a *tobacco* company, the men's golf "grand prix" will cover the 44 events on next year's tour.

The winner of each tournament will receive 200 points, with each succeeding placing receiving five fewer points down to 80 for 25th *place. There will* also be bonus points for winners of one or more events.

Only two golfers, Tom Watson and Curtis Strange, have earned more than $500,000 in a *single* season, so under the new system a player could more than double his earnings.

In conjunction with the new prize category, two *million* dollars more will be awarded to charities which benefit from individual tournaments, based on the total points earned by a team of five golfers playing on *behalf of each event.*

The tournament represented by *the top* team will also receive $500,000. Every PGA event has at least one charity which receives part of its proceeds. The players will still compete for the regular prize money offered by each tournament, *but* they will also accumulate points for the overall championship.

The PGA said the new money *schemes* were *being* introduced partly to encourage more golfers, especially some top players, to participate in more tournaments during the 10-month season.

Tour officials also hope that the new concept of five-man teams playing on *behalf* of *individual* tournaments will attract more interest in the *tour throughout* the year among fans whose interest might otherwise be focused just on their local event.

All the money that a team wins for a particular tournament will be given to the charitable beneficiaries of the event. *However,* the *five* members of the top team will receive $5,000 each from the individual player money pool.

Britons trail Spaniard

Emilo Rodriguez, of Spain, led the Portuguese Open at Quinta do Lago yesterday after a first round of 67. Three Britons, Richard Boxall, Simon Bishop and Ronan Rafferty, are one shot behind, with Severiano Ballesteros a further shot adrift.

FIRST ROUND (GB unless stated): 67: E Rodriguez (Sp). 68: R Boxall; S Bishop; R Rafferty; C Rocca (It). 69: S Ballesteros (Sp); E Dussart (Fr); G Ralph; S Bennett; M King; M Poxon; C Mason; W Humphreys; B Waites. 70: R Costa (Port); J Anderson (Can); B Mitchell; R Lee; J Hall; M Martin (Sp); G Brand Snr; P Thomas; R Drumond; A Chandler; D Williams; D Llewellyn; B Marchbank; D J Russell; R Cromwell (US); N Crosby (US). 71: D Blakeman; R Chapman; T Charnley; C Moody; K Waters; G Turner; L Jones; D Feherty; M Roe. 72: D Jones; D Smyth (Ire); D Cooper; P Harrison; M McLean; I Young; A Oldcorn; C O'Connor Jnr (Ire); J Hoskinson; M Thomas. 73: J O'Leary (Ire); E Darcy (Ire) A Hunter; M Johnson; J Morgan; S Cipa.

FOOTBALL

Republic's hopes ended by Soviets

The Soviet Union are through to the World Cup *finals* in Mexico after their 1-0 home win over Norway *yesterday.* The result ended the Republic of Ireland's hopes of *joining them.*

A crowd of 25,000 braved temperatures of four degrees below freezing to watch Kondriatev *score* the winner in the 57th minute. The win took the Soviet *Union* to the head of group six, above Denmark, who *will* also go to Mexico unless Switzerland beat Norway by 13 goals in their final match, on November 13. A draw in Ireland on the same day would be enough to make Denmark the group *champions.*

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Soviet Union	8	4	2	2	13	8	10
Denmark	7	4	1	2	13	5	9
Switzerland	7	2	3	2	4	9	7
Rep Ireland	7	2	2	3	4	6	6
Norway	7	1	2	4	3	9	4

REMAINING FIXTURES: November 13: Switzerland v Norway, Rep Ireland v Denmark.

● Albania avoided bottom place in group one when they drew 1-1 in Tirana with Greece, who consequently take the wooden *spoon.* Both teams had long since abandoned all hope of qualifying for Mexico.

Nevertheless, a 20,000 crowd turned out to watch and were rewarded when Omuri put Albania ahead in the 24th minute and Skartados equalized nine minutes into the second half. The group winners, Poland, are *certain of going* to Mexico and Belgium, in second place, are playing off with group five runners-up The Netherlands.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Poland	6	3	2	1	10	6	8
Belgium	6	3	2	1	7	3	8
Albania	6	1	2	3	6	9	4
Greece	6	1	2	3	5	10	4

BOXING

Lithgo has chance to pack historic punch

Stewart Lithgo, of Hartlepool, and Sammy Reeson, a southpaw *from* Battersea, *can hardly* be described as fashionable performers, yet one of them is about to make a little bit of boxing history. Tonight they meet at Latchmere Leisure *Centre, Wandsworth, over* 12 rounds at 13st 8lb and the winner will be the first holder of a new British championship.

Britain has finally fallen into step with most of the rest of the world and created a cruiserweight division to take the pressure off small heavyweights and help light-heavyweights who cannot make the weight.

It looks like a tough assignment for Reeson, whose experience is limited and confined to small halls. In spite of a record of 16 wins in 16 contests he has never fought beyond eight rounds and has not met *anyone of the class* of the well-travelled Lithgo.

This will be the third division in which Lithgo has competed. As a heavyweight he once lost on cuts to *Frank Bruno* without being floored in four rounds. As a light-heavyweight he went to Australia and won the Commonwealth championship, though he lost it at his first defence *seven months later. An in between,* the new cruiserweight category could be his salvation, for he had shown signs of being a puncher.

Lithgo is slight favourite to take *the title back to Hartlepool, where* the cupboard is bare after the retirement of George Feeney and the defeat of his brother, John. But he will need to respect Reeson's southpaw skill.

Reeson may not stop the 28-year-*old Lithgo but he might just* have enough expertise and ambition to outpoint him. Lithgo's manager, Dennie Mancini, said: "This is his chance to prove he has enough left *to continue boxing* and make some money. If he loses I'm afraid the outlook will be gloomy. Reeson is awkward, a difficult man to fight; but Stewart has a lot of experience *to fall back on and this, I feel, will* be the difference between the two men."

Lithgo: slight favourite

Marsh's new target

Terry Marsh, the European champion, has been given *two* assurances that he will be boxing for the world light-welterweight title *early next year.*

The first came from Rodolfo Sabbatini, the Italian promoter, and the other from Frank Warren, *Marsh's manager,* who is prepared *to pay* any official contender to stand aside to allow Marsh his chance at the World Boxing Association crown.

Uhaldo Sacco, of Argentina, *defends his world title* against Italy's Patrizio Oliva in January and Warren says that Sabbatini has guaranteed *Marsh* first attempt at the winner.

Sacco or Oliva should be granted nine months' grace before being called on to defend, so a voluntary meeting with Marsh would fit into the plan.

But the WBA could impose *stricter conditions, as that bout* has been postponed once while Sacco underwent a foot operation.

Warren *said:* "If the World Boxing Association insist on another challenger, then I will be willing *to pay* him to wait awhile.

Marsh helped his cause greatly by looking so impressive in stopping Allesandro Scapecchi, *of* Italy, in *Monte Carlo on Saturday* to win the European title.

Because of a fault in the official clock at the *ringside,* Marsh's victory did, in fact, come six seconds *after the bell should have sounded to* end the sixth round.

IN BRIEF

Bell makes strong recovery

John Bell, of Cumbria, a gold medal winner in last year's world outdoor bowls championship in Aberdeen, staged a successful comeback after dropping the opening set to beat Belfast's David Hamilton in yesterday's second round of the CIS Insurance United Kingdom indoor singles in Preston. Hailton looked poised to record a shock result when he took the opening set 7-4.

SNOOKER: Steve Davis, the holder, and Dennis Taylor, the world champion, are seeded to meet in the final of the Coral UK Championship at Preston next month. Davis, who beat Taylor last Sunday *in the Rothmans Grand* Prix final, is favourite to retain the Coral title. The tournament takes place from November 15 to December 1.

ICE HOCKEY: *Cleveland* Bombers have signed Kenneth Sharpe, the 6ft 1in centre, as their new player-coach. He was the top scorer with the Clarkson University team that won the United States Eastern Collegiate championship last season.

SPEEDWAY: Reading have granted the transfer request of Per Jonsson, their teenage rider. The Swede, this year's European Under-21 *champion,* is expected to join Swindon.

HANDBALL: The Soviet Union came from behind to beat South Korea 27-24 in the final of the women's world *junior* championships in Seoul yesterday. The Soviets, trailing 9-16 at half-time, collected the title for the fifth time in a row.

TENNIS: Chris Lloyd, of the United States, has increased her *lead to 450 points* over *Martina* Navratilova, her Czech-born compatriot, in the Virginia Slims world championship series standings following her success in the Brighton tournament.

ATHLETICS: Eight clubs have been named as the first *winners of* the British Amateur Athletic Board/Minolta Zoom Copiers coaching awards. The awards, worth up to £1,000, are presented to clubs who have produced the best ideas for improving their standards. The winners are: Borough of Hounslow, Loughborough Students, Old Gaytonians, Scottish Borders, Sheffield AC, Stockport H *and* AC, Tower Hemlets and Nith Valley.

SQUASH RACKETS

Making play with big names away

By Colin McQuillan

Two newcomers, Chapel Allerton, from Leeds, and Ardleith Hall, from *the depths of the Essex* countryside near Colchester, have moved to the top of the American Express Premier League while leading players from more established clubs are still abroad on the international circuit.

The Chapel Allerton squad is led by their working coach, David Pearson, and includes his brother, Bryan, *lower in the order.* Their only international recruit is Stuart Hailstone, of South Africa, yet they have won all four ganes so far to head the league with 23 points.

Ardleigh Hall have *Hiddy Jahan* and Ahmed Safwat, but now the strength of their youthful lower order is also becoming obvious. Jahan this week celebrates a welcome *return to slimmer fitness,* polishing off Greg Pollard, the world's No 6, of Nottingham. Safwat lost stylishly to Gawain Briars, but the match was rescued *for Ardleigh by Del Harris, aged 16,* and Paul Carter, the Hertfordshire youngster

Changes at the top seem certain next week. The league leaders will clash head on at Leeds while Ross Norman, the New Zealand champion, *returns* to lead Cannons Club against Manchester Northern, who have the British champion Geoff Williams, back at last from cartilage injury.

RESULTS: Ardleigh Hall 3, Nottingham 2; Armley 3, Redwood Lodge 2; Dunnings Mill 3, Cannons Club 2; Squash Leicester 1, Chapel Allerton 4. League positions: 1, Chapel Allerton 23; 2, Ardleigh Hall 21; 3, Manchester Northern 21; 4, Dunnings Mill 18; 5, Cannons Club 17; Edgbaston Priory 16; 7, Squash Leicester 13; 8, Armley 12; 9, Nottingham 10; 10, Redwood Lodge 3.

CRICKET

Pakistan rely on good morning

Sialkot (Reuter) – Pakistan should have little difficulty in scoring the 98 runs required for victory *in the second Test against* Sri Lanka when play resumes today after yesterday's rest day.

Pakistan have the advantage of beginning to get those runs in the morning session when the pitch *has* so fa been helpful to the batsmen.

SCORE: Sri Lanka 157 *(Imran Khan 4 for 55)* and 200 (RS Madugalle 65; Imran Khan 5 for 40): Pakistan 259 (Mudassar Nazar 78, Mohsin Khan 50; *J R Ratnayake 8 for 83*) and 1 for no wkt.

ATHLETICS

Slaney expects her first child

Eugene, Oregon (AP) – The middle-distance runner, Mary Slaney (above) says that she and her husband *Richard* Slaney, are starting a family. Mrs Slaney said this week she is expecting her first child late next spring and is hoping for a second after she competes in *the 1988 Olympic Games in Seoul.*

"I plan to stay fit through the whole pregnancy", she said. "I'm going to run and train pretty hard, but I'll just be a little more cautious *and sensitive to the way I'm feeling.* I will run next season if there are no complications.

Attempt to alter power balance

Dave Bedford and Derek Johnson hope to change the face of athletics administration by winning a crucial vote at the Amateur Athletic Association general meeting in Birmingham on Saturday.

The two officers of the International Athletes' Club have proposed a resolution to alter the balance of power within the AAA general committee. They want 15 *new members* from clubs elected directly at the annual meeting.

Bedford said: "The 15 *people* we want to introduce could provide a much-needed young, dynamic and professional addition to the committee."

Crest Games go to Birmingham

The athletics meeting in July that was subject to demonstrations by anti-apartheid supporters at the participation of Zola Budd has been switched from Edinburgh to the Alexander Stadium, Birmingham, next year.

The meeting has not moved to the Midlands because of the controversy, *according to Dairy Crest,* a division of the Milk Marketing Board and the sponsors of the games, and athletics administrators.

YACHTING

America's Cup crews flex their muscles

From John Roberson, Perth

The Royal Perth Yacht Club, holders of the America's Cup, are hosts for the next four days to *another international* match racing event, the Australia Cup. All but one of the 10 helmsmen taking part are now involved with a syndicate either challenging for or hoping to defend the America's Cup.

Britain's challenge, through the Royal Thames Yacht Club, is represented by *Harold* Cudmore, who won the event last year and who also holds the Lymington Cup. He will sail against representatives of syndicates from the United States (Garry Jobson, Chicago Yacht Club), Italy (Flavio Scala, Yacht Club Italiano), France (Michel Teweles, Societe Nautique de Marseilles) and New Zealand (Chris Dixon, *Royal* New-Zealand Yacht Squadron).

Three of Australia's four syndicates will be represented. Alan Bond, whose Australia II won the America's Cup in 1983, will have two helmsmen in the series. The two other *Perth-based syndicates,* Kevin Parry's Taskforce 87 and the South Australian-financed syndicate, have one helmsman each.

The regatta is sailed on the Swan River in small yachts, not on the Indian Ocean in 12 metres, but it is still a good opportunity for *the* syndicates to flex their match racing muscles and gain, or lose, a few psychological points.

Leader loses her mast

By Barry Pickthall

Portatan, the 80-foot Farr design skippered by a South African, Peter Kuttel, was dismasted yesterday afternoon less than 200 miles from Cape Town, the first stop-over port in the Whitbread Round the World race.

The yacht, which has been leading this 7,000-mile stage from Portsmouth since crossing the equator two weeks ago, is the fourth casualty to have struck bad luck since the fleet encountered bad weather last weekend.

Simon Le Bon's Drum which, like the Belgian maxi, Cote d'Or, reported structural problems on Tuesday, is heading towards Luderitz Bay on the Namibian coastline 480 miles north of Cape Town, to make emergency repairs to her bow area, *which* is thought to have delaminated.

The lead has been taken by UBS Switzerland, another Farr-designed maxi, skippered by Pierre Fehlmann. *Barring accidents, she is* due to reach Cape Town tonight.

LEADING POSITIONS (at 0830 GMT yesterday): 1, Portatan; 2, UBS Switzerland; 3, Lion New Zealand; 4, NZI Enterprise; 5, Cote d'Or. Handicap: 1, L'esprit d'Equipe (Fr); 2, Fazer Finland (Fin); 3, Philips Innovator (Neth); 4, Fortuna Lights (Sp); 5, Cote d'Or (Bel).

TENNIS

Jarryd beats partner

Antwerp (AP) – Anders Jarryd outplayed an injured Joakim Nystrom 6-3, 6-2 in an all-Swedish match here yesterday to reach the quarter-finals of the European Champions' Championship.

Jarryd was quick on the ball and used a powerful *and* accurate service to keep his training partner off balance during most of the game.

Nystrom, aged 22, said his knee injury did not bother him during the *one-hour game." Anders took the* ball very early and returned well," said Nystrom whose weak service and short game never put Jarryd under pressure.

Jarryd, 24, coming off a two-month slump played near-perfect tennis during the *first set* after losing his initial service game.

He took Nystrom's service three times and allowed only two points during his last three service games to take the set 6-3.

The world's eighth ranked player lost concentration briefly in the early part of a scrappy second set as his service was broken twice but recovered to take the set 6-2 before a *6,000-strong crowd.*

In all, Nystrom held service only twice in his nine service *games.* Jarryd will meet the winner of Thursday's encounter between Polish veteran Wojtek Fibak and Mats Wilander, the tournament's number 3 seed, of Sweden.

FIRST ROUND: P Slozil (Cz) bt C Panatta (It), 7-5, 6-3; M Dickson (US), bt M Schapers, 3-6, 7-5, 9-7.
SECOND ROUND: V Gerulaitis (US) bt J Van Langendonck (Bel), 6-2, 6-1; H Leconte (Fr) bt M Davis (US), 6-3, 6-0; T Wilkison (US) bt A Brichant (Bel), 6-2, 6-2; A Jarryd (Swe) bt J Nystrom (Swe) 6-3, 6-2.

HOCKEY

Promising much but to no avail

By Sydney Friskin

Maidenhead	0
Oxford University	0

Maidenhead and Oxford University promised much but achieved nothing in this London League match at Maidenhead yesterday. *There* was, *however,* some consolation for the home side. For the first time in four years they had not lost to the university.

Oxford picked up their first points in three matches and altogether looked a better side than the one that lost 5-1 to Reading last week. Their defence was *held* together by Binks and the forwards, led by Baines, combined well at high speed.

Maidenhead, who have won one match, *drawn two and lost two,* were equally lively in attack and some hard running by George and Phillip McGuire enabled them to set up several chances in the first half. Oxford had slightly *the better of the* exchanges in the second and a little steadiness in front of goal might have given them victory.

The visitors started well by forcing a short corner *in the first* minute.

From their second short corner in the 12th minute Maidenhead nearly scored. A strong hit by Phillip McGuire was saved on the Oxford line by Fordham.

Oxford began the second half with a promising attack to which Maidenhead replied by forcing two short corners, one giving way to the other. In the 12th minute of this period Keep, the Maidenhead goalkeeper, saved a shot from *Ingham the Oxford* outside left. That was the signal for Oxford to increase their pressure and Baines went through on his own unable, however, to beat the goalkeeper.

Towards the end there was *the all* too familiar picure of forwards of *both sides either* failing to control the ball or being deprived of it by an intervening stick.

MAIDENHEAD: P Koop; A Robertson, O McGuire, P Buggins, J Hunt, A Banner, R Cawthorp (captain), G Sutherland, M Gray, N George, P McGuire.
OXFORD UNIVERSITY: J Haynes (Cheltenham GS and Wadham); P Barry (Howard School and St Catherine's), *P Binks (University of Tasmania and St John's), G Garrett (Australian National University and Nuffield), J Blake (Taunton School and St Benet's Hall, captain), M Fordham (Spoldings and Hertford), B Ukiah (Kingston GS and Christ Church), P Baines (London University and Green College), *R Oldershaw (Uppingham and Trinity), R Rush (Culford and St Edmund Hall), J Ingham (King Edward' Birmingham and Merton).
Umpires: C Brine and K Rowe (Southern counties).
*Blue

FOR THE RECORD

TENNIS

ZURICH: Women's European indoor championships: First round: C Jolissaint (Switz) bt S Schmid (Switz), 6–2, 6–2; Z Garrison (US) bt M Jausovec (Yug), 6–1, 6–1; K Schaefer (US) bt C Bartos-Cserepy (Switz), 6–7, 7–6, 6–2; C Tanvier (Fr) bt L McNeil (US), 6–3, 6–2; *R Reggi (It)* bt S Goles (Yug), 6–3, 6–7, 6–3; N Tauziat (Fr) bt P Huber (Austria), 6–3, 6–3; R Marsikova (Cz) bt S Anlach (Fr), 6–3, 6–2; H Sukova (Cz) bt C Karlsson (Swe), 6–4, 6–3; M Maleeva (Bul) bt K Maleeva (Bul), 6–0, 6–3; H Mandlikova (Cz) bt M Schropp (WG), 6–3, 6–2; B Potter (US) bt V Ruzici (Rom), 6–2, 7–6; *S Cecchini, (It)* bt A Holikova (Cz), 6–3, 6–3; C Kohde-Kilsch (WG) bt K Skronska (Cz), 6–2, 6–7, 6–1.

● *The first round result of the match between* Andrea Temesvari and Andrea Holikova was originally given as a walk-over for Holikova due the Miss Temesvari's illness. However, Miss Temesvari forfeited her singles match before the start of the day's play. Sandra Cecchini will replace her as seventh seed and be Miss Holikova's first round opponent.

BARCELONA: Exhibition match: J McEnroe (US) bt B *Becker* (WG), 6–2, 7–5.

VIRGINIA SLIMS STANDINGS: 1, C Lloyds (US), 2,300pts; 2, M Navratilova (US), 1,850; 3, *P Shriver* (US), 1,420; 4, *C Kohde-Kilsch* (WG), 1,250; 5, Z Garrison (US), 1,100; 6, S Graf (WG), 1,085; 7, *M Maleeva* (Bul), 1,075; equal 8, *H Mandlikova* (Cz), 970; G *Sabatini* (Arg), 970; 10, K Rinaldi (US), 945.

BADMINTON

COVENTRY: England v South Korea (England names first): G Milton lost to Choi Byung Hak 15-9, 5-15, 6-15; Miss G Gowers lost to Yoo Sang Hee, 7-11, 8-11; S Butler lost to Park Joo Bong, 5-15, 12-15; D *Hall* bt Lee Deuk Choon, 15-6, 15-5; Miss S Halsall and Mrs K Beckman lost to Kim Yun Ja and Yoo Sang Hee 3-15, 12-15; *Miss* Gowers and Miss G Clark lost to Chung So Jung and Chung Myung Hee, 14-18, 8-15; Miss C Gay lost to Lee Myung Hee, 12-10, 5-11, 8-11; Hall and R Outterside bt Choi Byung Hak and Son Jin Hwan, 15-10, 18-15; A Goode and S Baddeley bt Kim Chung Soo and Kim Moon Soo, 15-10, 15-10; *R Outterside* and Mrs K Beckman bt Lee Deuk Choon and Chung Myung Hee, 4-15, 17-14, 15-9. Final score: *England 4, South Korea 6.*

HANDBALL

SEOUL: Women's world junior championship: final: Soviet Union bt S Korea, 27-24; Third Place: Poland bt E Germany, 30-29; Fifth place: Norway bt China, 35-27; Seventh place: Romania bt Yugoslavia 20-15; Ninth place: W Germany bt France, 25-22; Eleventh place: Denmark bt Japan 22-19.
STETTON: Junior women's international: W Germany 27, France 16.

HOCKEY

SYDNEY: Women's international: Australia 3, *West Germany 2 (Australia win series).*

SQUASH RACKETS

BONN: West German Open: First round: R Norman (NZ) bt K Woodward (GB), 9-2, 9-2, 9-0; M Ehlers (WG) bt D Adams (GB), 9-6, 9-2, 9-4; B Bostrem (Swe) bt R Rodriguez (Uru), 9-0, 9-3, 9-7; R Schulot (WG) bt A Mentulo (Fin), 9-0, 9-4, 9-1; A Davies (GB) bt A Bergsten (Swe), 9-1, 9-6, 9-6; *K Khan (Pak)* bt R Robinson (GB), 8-10, 9-3, 9-3, 9-4; K Smith (Aus) bt D Meddings (GB), 9-4, 9-0, 1-9, 9-3; F Donnelly (Aus) bt J *Kvant (Swe),* 9-5, 9-7, 10-9; K Hussain Khan (Pak) bt D Lawrence (GB), 9-2, 9-4, 9-7; A Gosebruch (WG) bt L des Neves (Por), 7-9, 9-2, 9-1, 9-7; R Thorne (Aus) bt C Farthing (WG), 9-1, 9-4, 9-1; S Elopuro (Fin) bt T Salisbury (GB), 9-0, 9-7, 9-2; U Lagunoll (Swe) bt F Poessl (WG), 9-1, 7-9, 9-4, 9-0; R *Henning (Swe)* bt F *Johannes* (WG), 9-7, 6-9, 9-3, 9-3; S Vocetti (Aus) bt C Martins (WG), 10-8, 9-3, 8-10, 6-9, 9-3; S Davenport (NZ) bt A *Jacobsen (Den),* 9-2, 9-1, 9-3.

AMERICAN EXPRESS *PREMIER* LEAGUE: Ardleigh 3, Nottingham 2; Slimcea Armley 3, *Redwood Lodge 2; Leicester 1, Chapel Allerton 4.*

BOWLS

PRESTON: CIS Insurance UK Indoor championship: Second round: D Wilkins bt D McGill, 7–6, 7–5; J Baker bt A Thomson, 7–6, 7–4; R Corsie bt N Burrows, 0–7, 7–6, 7–1.

F McCartney bt R Evans 6-7, 7-2, 7-2; J Bell bt D Hamilton 4-7, 7-0, 7-3.

BASKETBALL

UNITED STATES: National Association (NBA): Atlanta Hawks 102, *New York Knicks* 87; Washington Bullets 97, Cleveland Cavaliers 90; Detroit Pistons 124, New Jersey Nets 107; Los Angeles Lakers 133, Dallas Mavericks 115; Houston Rockets 111, Seattle Supersonics 99; Milwaukee Bucks 119, Philadelphia 76ers 117; San Antonio Spurs 124, Utah Jazz 112; Denver Nuggets 142, Phoenix Suns 127; Chicago Bulls 11, Golden State Warriors 105; Los Angels Clippers 119, Portland Trailblazers 113.

MEN: European Cup winners' Cup: Second round, first leg: Taby Basket (Swe) 86, Scavolini Basket Pesaro (It) 100; Chemosvit (Cz) 80, Stade Francais Paris (Fr) 84; Jugoplastika Split (Yug) 114, Maccabi Haifa-Carmel (Israel) 78; UBSC Vienna (Aust) 88, Tyovaeen Pallolitto (Fin) 80; Partizan Belgrade (Yug) 81, DO Den Helder (Neth) 67.
MASTERS' TROPHY: Regional round: Derby 89, Hemel And Watford Royals 97.
AMERICAN EXPRESS PREMIER LEAGUE: Ardleigh 3, Nottingham 2; Slimcea Armley 3, *Redwood Lodge 2; Leicester 1, Chapel Allerton 4.*

RUGBY UNION

THORN EMI COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: *Hertfordshire 21, Kent 32; Sussex 7, Eastern Counties 20.*
TOUR MATCH: Newport 6, Fijians 7.
UAU CHAMPIONSHIP: University College (London) 69, University of Essex 7.
TOUR MATCH: Mar del Plata XV 6, All Blacks 56.

GOLF

LANGLEY PARK: Golf Foundation schools team championship: Final English qualifying round: 1, Eltham College, 241; *equal* 2, Trinity School, Croydon and St Joseph College, 243.
PAG EARNINGS: 1, C Strange, $542,321; 2, L Wadkins, $446,893; 3, C Peete, $384,489; 4, J Thorpe, $379,091; 5, R Floyd, $378,989; 6, C Pavin, $367,506; 7, H Sutton, $365,340; 8, R Maltbie, $360,554; 9, J Mahaffey, $341,595; 10, M O'Meara, $340,840. British positions: 114, K Brown, $59,138; 118, N Faldo, $54,060.

ICE HOCKEY

NORTH AMERICA: National League (NHL): Hartford Whalers 4, *Pittsburgh Penguins* 3; Washington Capitals 8, St Louis Blues 3; Quebec Nordiques 6, Montreal Canadiens 4.
BRIANCON, France: France 6, Yugoslavia 1.

RACKETS

NEW YORK: Tour match: The New York Racquet and Tennis Club 2, Eton College 1 (New York names *first*): *R A Pilkington* and K A *Macguire* lost to N A R Cribbs and C M Hue Williams, 14–16, 12–15, 13–16; E F Ulmann and P B Read bt E Novis *and* L Sheffield, 15–1, 15–4, 15–2; T M Steel and N E C Barham bt H Swinglehurst and R Smith-Bingham, 15–10, 13–15, 17–14, 9–15, 15–5.

CYCLING

DORTMUND: Six-day cycle race: Top 10 placings: 1, J Kristen (WG), R Hermann (Liecht) 684 points; Two laps behind: 2, S Tourne, Etienne de Wilde (Bel) 633; Four laps: 3, Roche (Ire), Tony Doyle (GB) 387; Six laps: 4, R Pijnen, Gerrie Knetemann (Neth) 386; Seven laps: 5, J Schlaphoff (WG), Bernard Vallet (Fr) 423; 13 laps: 6, D Giebken (WG), G Wiggins (Aus) 433; 14 laps: 7, G Frank, M *Marcussen* (Den) 319; 16 laps: 8, W Betz, U Bolten (WG) 350; 17 laps: 9, D Gisiger, H Ledermann (Switz) 394; 23 laps: 10, H Rinklin, *S Schroopfer* (WG) 306.
MOSCOW: 20km: A Stepanov (USSR), 24min 41.197sec (World indoor best performance).

Speaking on sport

Richard Tracey, the *Sports* Minister, John Smith, the chairman of the Sports Council, Denis Howell, MP and members of the Birmingham presentation team for the 1992 Olympics Games, will be among the speakers at the annual Central Council of Physical Recreation *national* conference at Bournemouth from November 20 to 22. The "tarnished image" of British sport and media developments through cable television are other items down for discussion.

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FOOTBALL: LEAGUE LEADERS' PLAYING RESOURCES STRETCHED FOR VISIT OF COVENTRY CITY

Duxbury joins swollen ranks of United's wounded

Manchester United will go into their Canon League game against Coventry City at Old Trafford on Saturday without yet another key player. Their full back, Mike Duxbury, has a hamstring injury and joins a worryingly long casualty list.

Duxbury, who faces a lengthy absence from the league leaders' team, was hurt during Tuesday night's 1-0 Milk Cup victory over West Ham United. United's midfield player, Remi Moses, who has managed only four games this season, is to see a specialist in the hope of clearing up his ankle problem.

The England captain, Bryan Robson, trained yesterday after hamstring trouble, but he, too, will not be considered for Saturday's home game against Coventry. And Gordon Strachan and John Gidman, both nearing fitness, have now been struck by colds, which could delay their return.

Ron Atkinson, United's manager, said: "The lads are battling well against adversity, but I'm running out of bodies. I will leave it until as late as possible before making any decision". He may ask Paul McGrath, their centre half who is in service an emergency midfielder, to switch to full back against Coventry.

Robson, who injured a hamstring during the World Cup victory over Turkey two weeks ago, may have difficulty in regaining full fitness in time for England's last group match, against Northern Ireland on November 13.

Robson tried out the injury yesterday and was still troubled by it. It could be another week before he is able to resume full training.

The 79th minute "equalizer," that never was was the talking point after United's Milk Cup victory over West Ham. Ward put a 25-yard free kick into the net, only for it to be disallowed by referee Frank Roberts as the kick was indirect. But the entire West Ham team claimed that the Manchester United goalkeeper, Bailey, got a hand to the ball before it went in.

Bailey seemed reluctant to confim he had no touched the ball. "I flashed a hnad at it and I don't know what happened after that", he said.

Ward, back in his native North West and turning on a fine show, certainly deserved a goal for the power of his free kick.

"I suppose it's my fault. I did not know it was indirect: even so the lads say Bailey touched it as it went in", Ward said. "It was a sickener after the way we had played. We deserved at least a draw. I thought it was a direct free kick because it was a tackle not obstruction."

West Ham battled well in an attempt to end the run which had seen none of the 25 previous Manchester v London clashes go to the capital side.

Whiteside's 77th minute goal maintained United's record, though Bailey had to make three splendid saves before the save that never was.

Duxbury: Hamstring injury will mean a long absence from Manchester United team

Derby unable to handle a runaway Carr

By Clive White

Derby County 1
Nottingham Forest............ 2

Franz Carr sent Nottingham Forest through to the fourth round of the Milk Cup last night when his 67th minute goal gave the first division side victory at the Baseball Ground.

Brian Clough's Nottingham Forest received a hostile welcome from a near capacity crowd of 25,500 – Forest had been unable to fill their complete allocation. It sounded as if few had made the 15 mile trek across country from Nottingham, so vociferous was the home support.

The Derby crowd galvanised their team into a furious opening which had Forest's back four bothered and bewildered, but have conceded the inevitable goal. Forest recovered some of the their poise before half time, greatly aided by an equalizer within four minutes of the Derby goal.

Davison and Christie, who was formerly with Forest, were ravenous forwards during the opening stages and in the fifth minute Davison gave Forest due warning of what was to follow with a flashing shot narrowly passed the post. Five minutes later as Davison and McLaren chased a loose ball inside the penalty area, Mills, who once had a spell with Derby, tripped McLaren and there was no disputing the penalty. Chandler, Derby's new penalty taker, very nearly lost the job as Sutton got a hand to his kick, but he could only push the ball against the post and in.

Derby, who have twice beaten Clough's Forest in cup competition over the years, soon lost the initiative. Rice's cross was nodded on by Clough junior and Metgod firmly planted a header past Wallington.

Play swung wildly from one end to the other with no discernible pattern but in true cup tie fashion. As the second half wore on Forest began to sense that they had a match winner in Carr, whose control at pace makes him a serious problem for any defender, never mind Derby's.

Midfield began to give him more and more of the ball. Carr showed a good footballing brain, too, when after Clough had put him away on another breathtaking run, he held his composure and the ball long enough at the end of it until Clough had arrived on the scene, breathless no doubt, to receive a perfect return pass.

But Wallington, turning back on himself, was equal to the shot from the nonetheless impressive youngster.

In the 67th minute the 19-year-old Carr became finisher rather than provider when he arrived again at speed at the end of a slick Forest move involving Webb and Davenport to fire the ball past Wallington.

DERBY COUNTY: M Wallington; C Palmer, S Buckley, G Williams, R Hindmarch, R MacLaren, G Micklewhite, T Christie, R Davison, S McClaren, J Chandler.
NOTTINGHAM FOREST: S Sutton; G Mills, S Pearce, J Metgod, G Birtles, I Butterworth, F Carr, P Davenport, N Clough, N Webb, B Rice.
Referee: D Shaw (Cheshire)

Fenerbahce fined for misconduct

Berne (Reuter) – The Turkish club Fenerbahce, of Istanbul, were fined $32,700 (about £23,000) by the European Football Union (UEFA) yesterday for misconduct during their European Cup match against Goteburg in Sweden a week ago. A UEFA statement said the fine was for "unsportsmanlike behaviour" by players and team officials during the second round first leg tie, which Goteburg won 4-0.

The Turkish champions' reserve goalkeeper, Yiloiz Nurettin, received a five-match ban for insulting the referee after the match, and his team colleagues, Kayador Onur and Durmaz Abdulkerim, who were sent off, were automatically banned from the second leg on November 6. Their cases will be reviewed at the next UEFA disciplinary committee session on November 14.

UEFA also banned Vardar Skopje's trainer Vajadin Vishjevac from the Yugoslavs' next two matches for "ungentlemanly conduct" during the UEFA Cup second round first leg tie against Dundee United, which the Scots won 2-0. The Vardar players, Najooski, Janevski and Urosevic received one-match suspensions for their behaviour during the match.

Lesson dawns on Southampton

Southampton's youth team faced a dawn punishment yesterday after a 5-0 cup defeat against West Ham United, on Tuesday night. Dave Merrington, their team manager, was so incensed he ordered his squad of 16 and 17 year-olds to report at the Dell for a 6.0am inquest.

How they got there at that unearthly hour was not his concern, he said. And all bar one teenager duly turned up. Merrington said: "I know this may seem a bit extreme but the lads have to learn discipline to succeed in this business. They did not show much of it on the field last night, but I think they have learned the lesson now."

Irish to see qualifer live on TV

Television viewers in Northern Ireland will be able to see live coverage of their country's decisive World Cup qualifying match against England at Wembley on November 13. The Football association have given the BBC permission to beam the group three match 18 live to Northern Ireland, but the rest of Britain will be shown only highlights.

Billy Bingham's side need one point to be sure of reaching the Mexico finals. An FA spokesman said: "There are obviously a lot of people in Ireland who will be interested in the match and unable to get to Wembley."

● John Dempsey, the former Republic of Ireland and Chelsea centre half, is to appeal against the three-year suspension imposed on him last week by the Surrey County Football Association. This follows the former Egham manager's dismissla from the dug-out in successive matches this season.

Dempsey, who has also been dismissed by the Vauxhall-Opel league club, said: "I have appealed against the decision. I was not notified of the disciplinary hearing. I will be contacting my solicitor and, if necessary, I will take the case to the European Court of Human Rights. I make part of my living from football and the county decision will be depriving me of this."

● Colin Murphy, the Stockport County manager, will tell the club at the weekend whether he will be leaving Edgeley Park. Murphy is considering an offer reported to be worth around £25,000 to move to Saudi Arabia.

● Bradford City's home game against Fulham, scheduled for next Wednesday has been postponed because Fulham will be involved in a Milk Cup replay against Chelsea.

● Southend United have decided not to play their ho,e fourth division game with Hartlepool United on November 10 because it is Remembrance Sunday. The game has now been brought forward to November 9

Brown determined not to let trophy slip

Ken Brown, the manager of Norwich City, the Milk Cup holders, saw his team on Tuesday night become the first visitors to win on Luton Town's artificial pitch this season, and so go through to the fourth round of the competition.

First-half goals by Peter Mendham and Steve Bruce secured Norwich's 2-0 win, and Brown said: "It was just perfect. We have the trophy and we don't want to let it get away."

Paul Walsh, who is transfer-listed, took his tally to five goals in his last two games by scoring three times as **Liverpool** beat **Brighton and Hove Albion** 4-0, while neighbouring **Everton** found no problem at **Shrewsbury Town**, on a pitch patched-up following overnight vandalism, and won 4-1.

Bruce: first-half goal

At Stamford Bridge, **Fulham** earned a replay with **Chelsea** in a match which contained a dramatic final two minutes. Mike Hazard put Chelsea ahead in the 88th minute but within a further minute Cliff Carr, Fulham's captain, had equalized from a penalty. Even then Chelsea nearly won, Lester Shapter, the referee, blowing for time only seconds before Keith Dublin put the ball in the net.

Mick Mills, Stoke City's player manager, conceded two penalties for fouls on Vince Hilaire – and Kevin Dillon obliged from the spot each time to give **Portsmouth** their 2-0 win.

John Byrne, back after injury, earned Queen's Park Rangers their first victory at **Watford** for 16 years, while Mike Cole's goal after just 45 seconds put **Ipswich Town**, last year's semi-finalists, on the way to a comfortable 2-0 win at **Grimsby Town**.

Last night's results

MILK CUP: Third round: Leeds United 0, Aston Villa 3; Manchester City 1, Arsenal 2; Oxford United 3, Newcastle United 1.
THIRD DIVISION: Darlington 1, Bury 1.
SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION: Clydebank 2, Hibernian 4; Heart of Midlothian 1, Aberdeen 0.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHES: Abertillery 0, Gloucester 13; Aberavon 15, South Glamorgan Institute 6; Bath 30, Maesteg 9; Bedford 16, Rugby 18; Bridgend 16, Cross Keys 4; Cardiff 41, Newbridge 15; Ebbw Vale 9, Swansea 12; Nuneaton 6, Northampton 33.

World Cup go-ahead for Rufers

Zurich, Switzerland (AP) – Wynton Rufer, the New Zealand forward, got permission yesterday from his Swiss club, F C Zurich, to play in a series of World Cup qualifying matches.

The decision followed wrangling between Zurich and the New Zealand football federation over Rufer and his brother Shane, both of whom secretly left Zurich earlier this month for a World Cup qualifying game against Israel in Auckland.

Zurich's management decided the Rufers are free to play against Australia and if New Zealand are still in the running, in other qualifying matches against Israel and possibly Scotland before the end of the year, said the club secretary, Erich Schmid.

The New Zealand federation have formally apologized for the incident, Schmid said.

The club had lodged a complaint with the International Football Federation, FIFA, which ruled the brothers were allowed to play against Israel because Zurich notified New Zealand too late that they intended to hold the players for a championship match the same day.

However, FIFA said Wynton Rufer could not play in forthcoming qualifying matches, including a crucial one against Australia on Sunday, without the club's permission. His brother was exempted from the decision because his formal contract had expired, although he had told Zurich he intends to stay with them.

Coyne shows other side to Wednesday

Peter Coyne, consigned to non-League football for three years after being discarded by Manchester United because of his wayward behaviour, believes he is worth a place back at the top level after scoring Swindon Town's winner in their 1-0 surprise win over Sheffield Wednesday on Tuesday night.

Coyne's goal at the County Ground, his tenth of the season, put the fourth division club into the last 16 of the Milk Cup at the expense of first division opposition. Now Coyne hopes he can rebuild his career under the former Manchester United player, Lou Macari, the present manager of Swindon.

Coyne, aged 26, was contemplating a career as a postman when Macari saw him playing for Hyde United, the Multipart League club. Swindon manager said: "He stuck in everybody's minds as a youngster. He was an England schoolboy of the highest quality and a lot of clubs were clamouring for his signature.

"But he was thrown out of Old Trafford at an early age with the reputation, unfairly, for being a problem boy. But he's a good player and he proved it tonight."

Coyne said: "Lou gave me a chance I thought I'd never have again after three years in non-league football. I was so grateful I've run my legs off to show he wasn't wrong and show United that they were. I've never really had the chance at the top level but I think I showed tonight that I wouldn't be out of place.

Coyne was lucky to have been given so much space for his goal after nine minutes when Wednesday's goalkeeper, Hodge, slipped going for Barnard's cross. But Swindon were worth their win, one to go alongside their triumph over Arsenal six years ago and their dismissal of Sunderland in the last round.

Macari added: "I didn't think we'd win. We had three former non-league players, a full back on loan and a goalkeeper whose name many of the players didn't even know." That was Richard Key, loaned by Brentford on a one-off basis.

Brazil saddens Pelé

Rio de Janeiro (AP) – Pelé, who has celebrated his 45th birthday is still in good shape. "I can still play 45 minutes with any club. I haven't got the speed I used to have, but the ball still obeys me," he said in an interview with the newspaper *Jornal do Brasil of Rio.*

Pele spoke to reporters during a break in the shooting of a publicity film in Rio's Maracana Stadium, the world's largest and the venue of many of his memorable performances. Retired from football since 1977, Pelé warned Brazil about their lack of preparation for next year's World Cup finals. "It's sad to see Brazil like this: without a coach and without a team a few months before the cup. That reflects the situation of the country, which is confused." Pele told the Rio newspaper *O Globo.*

MOTOR RACING

Lauda denies breaking pledge to retire for $6m

Adelaide, (Reuter) – Niki Lauda, three times world formula one champion yesterday denied that he had accepted a $6million (about £425m) offer to break his retirement pledge and race again for Brabham.

"I decided in August that I am not going to race next year and this is going to be my last grand prix here in Adelaide and I am not racing next year." Lauda said. "I hope I will stick with this view. As I said before, at the moment I am pretty sure not to race next year."

Lauda said in August that Sunday's inaugural Australian Grand Prix would be his last. But he has already made one come-back after leaving the sport in 1979 while a member of the Brabham team. He returned to drive for McLaren in 1982 and won the world title for the third time last year.

If he does retire, Lauda will leave behind a record bettered by only one man, Jackie Stewart, of Scotland.

Lauda, winner of the world title with Ferrari in 1975 and 1977, has won 25 grand prix to Stewart's 27. Today he left no doubt about his determination to end his career with a win.

"I am not here to cruise around," Lauda said. "I will try my best to end my career in a most competitive way."

He said that car reliability problems had prevented him from reaching his best this year but stressed that these problems had not harmed his motivation. "There are a million things which can go wrong with a car and funnily enough they happened to my car." Lauda will be replaced in the McLaren team by Finland's Keke Rosberg, of Finland.

Alain Prost, the Frenchman, who has already clinched this year's world crown for McLaren, told reporters he expected it to be a little difficult to adjust to Rosberg's all-out driving style

Ron Dennis, McLaren team boss said: "We can't run a number one, number two situation. All our cars are the same. There is no reason why Keke should not have a very good chance of winning the world championship."

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

MILK CUP: Third round: Birmingham City 1, Southampton 1; Chelsea 1, Fulham 1; Coventry City 0, West Bromwich Albion 0; Grimsby Town 0, Ipswich Town 2; Liverpool 4, Brighton 0; Luton Town 0, Norwich City 2; Manchester United 1, West Ham United 0; Portsmouth 2, Stoke City 0; Shrewsbury Town 1, Everton 4; Swindon Town 1, Sheffield Wednesday 0. Watford 0, Queen's Park Rangers 1.

FOURTH DIVISION: Tranmere Rovers 7, Peterborough United 0

MULTIPART LEAGUE: Macclesfield 2, Burton 1. Southport 2, Chorley 1.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield Wednesday 0, Sheffield United 1, Wigan 4, Newcastle 0. Second division: Blackpool 5, Middlesbrough 1; Notts County 5, Preston 1; Oldham 3, Bradford City 1; Sunderland 4, Wolves 0.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Crystal Palace 0, Swansea 4; Fulham 0, Ipswich 1; Bristol Rovers 2, Norwich 1.

FA CUP: Fourth qualifying round replays: Harlow 1, Aylesbury 2; Oxford City 0, Windsor and Eton 1; St Helens 0, Morecambe 1; Kingstonian 1, Slough 1 (aet).

UEFA UNDER-21 CHAMPIONSHIP: Group one: Albania 2, Greece 1; Group six: Soviet Union 2, Norway 1.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Midland division: Bedworth 2, Dudley 1, Coventry Sporting 3, Bridgnorth 0, Redditch 1, Gloucester 4, Moor Green 1; Bilston 1; Gloucester 4, Merthyr Tydfil 0. Leamington 3, Rushden 2. Southern division: Leicester United 0, Erith and Corinthian 0, Tonbridge AFC 1; Sheppey 1, Cambridge City 2; Woodford 0, Bill Belvedere 1. Waterlooville 0, Thanet 2. Folkestone Delco Cup: First round: Dover 3, Fareham 2, Fisher 5, Chatham 0; Trowbridge 2, 2.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Farnborough 1, Yeovil 2; Wokingham 1, Harrow 2. First division: Bromley 1, Walton and Hersham 2; Chesham 0, Staines 1; Leytonstone/Ilford 1, Leyton-Wingate 5; Wembley 3, Lewes x. Second division north: Berkhamsted 1, Harefield 1; Haringey 2, Heybridge Swifts 1; Kingsbury 4, Wolverton 0. Second division south: Camberley 0, Hungerford 0, Dorking 2, Eastbourne United 0; Egham 1, Feltham 2; Southwick 2, Horsham 0. AC Delco Cup: First round: Tilbury 3, Walthamstow Avenue 3 (aet). First round replay: Finchley 3, Newbury 1.

HERTS SENIOR CUP: First round: Royston 1, Letchworth 0; St Albans 2, Hertford 0; Cheshunt 2, Stevenage 4; Baldock 1, Hitchin 0.

ESSEX SENIOR CUP: First round: Grays 2, Chelmsford 3; Billericay 5, Basildon 1. First round replay: Barking 3, Hornchurch 3 (aet).

WEST GERMAN CUP: Second round replay: Bayer Uerdingen 0, Eintracht Trier 3.

EASTERN FLOODLIT LEAGUE: Saffron Walden 2, Stansted 1.

COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Horley 0, Cranleigh 2.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Kent County Amateur League 0, Sussex County League Third Division XI 2.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHES: Neath 20, Glamorgan Wanderers 3; Penarth v Maesteg, cancelled.
COURAGE FLOODLIT CUP: Second round: Gravesend 21, Westcombe Park 15.
SCHOOLS MATCHES: Roscall 28, Epsom 6; Cornwall College 19, Richard Lander 28.

RUGBY LEAGUE

TOUR MATCH: Leeds 10, New Zealanders 16.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Team sheet oversight as West is called up

By Keith Macklin

After a morning of confusion yesterday the New Zealand team to play Great Britain in the second international at Wigan on Saturday eventually contained the name of Graeme West, the Wigan captain. When the names were announced West was not on the team sheet and it was only when he was summoned to join the Kiwis in training at their Blackpool hotel that the omission was noticed.

A phone call to the Rugby League headquarters in Leeds put West in the team and deleted the name of Owen Wright.

Although Wright has been left out because because of his lack of form, the New Zealand coach, Graham Lowe, has pinned his faith on the remaining 12 who finished the first international at Headingley, which New Zealand won 24-22. The New Zealanders based with British clubs are again included. If New Zealand win on Saturday they will secure the three-match series.

NEW ZEALAND: G Kemble; D Bell, J Leuluai, G Crohm, D O'Hara, O Filipaina, C Friend, K Sorenson, H Tamati, D Sorenson, M Graham, G West, H McGahan. Substitutes (from): F Ah Kuoi, S Stewart, R Cowan, and D Williams.

● The New Zealand wing, Mark Bournville, will appear before the Rugby League disciplinary committee in Leeds today. Bournville was sent off during the touring team's 16-10 success at Leeds on Tuesday night.

Bournville plans to contest his dismissal.

West: faces Great Britain

Happy settlers from Taranaki

RUGBY LEAGUE DIARY
Keith Macklin

The Wests live in a large detached house in the pleasant Wigan suburb of Marcus Bridge. They have lovely neighbours "very warm and friendly" and would be quite happy to settle down permanently in Wigan. It is quite a change from their New Zealand homeland, Graeme and Maryann West and their three children came to Wigan three years ago from Taranaki in the Central Districts. West is the club captain of Wigan, and is still feeling slightly bemused at the events of the past week, which have culminated in his totally unexpected recall to the New Zealand international side at Wigan on Saturday.

West, a giant of a second row forward, standing 6ft 5in and weighing 17st, last played Rugby League for New Zealand two years ago when he captained the Kiwis on that historic day when they went to Brisbane and beat the seemingly invincible world champions, Australia, 19-12. He then took a rest from playing all the year round. He was alternating between New Zealand and Wigan, suffered a painful back injury, and after a while decided his international career was over.

He missed the early games of Wigan's season with Achilles tendon trouble. Then, last Friday, came a telephone call from the New Zealand touring team's headquarters in Harrogate. Would he like to be in the Kiwi squad for the game at Leeds on Tuesday, and if all want well, join the squad for the second international at Wigan? "I could hardly believe my ears," West said.

"It was a terrific surprise, something I secretly wanted, but it came right out of the blue, especially since New Zealand won the first international at Leeds. There were a couple of hours of uncertainty for me when the team was first issued and my name was not in it, but it all came right. I can't emphasize enough what a thrill it is to be recalled."

West turned out at Leeds on Tuesday in a match which turned nasty and had the Headingley crowd baying for the Kiwis' blood as three Leeds players were carried off the field. He defends his team colleagues by saying that the trouble was triggered when, in the first tackle, "my nose was splashed all over my face by a Leeds forward." West expressed his regrets at the way the match had turned out and added: "We like to play good rugby football, but when things like that happen you defend yourself."

Although he has been at Wigan only three years West has come to regard Wigan as his home town. The family are all happy and he has a good job at the central park ground as promoter of the social and fund-raising club, The Knights of Central Park. The children go to school in Wigan and he has two more years of his contract to run. "I love Wigan and Wigan people," he says. "I've never in my life known a town where the people are so totally Rugby League orientated.

The West family's integration and enjoyment of the British way of life is shared by a whole colony of New Zealand families on Humberside. Dane O'Hara, Gary Kemble, James Leuluai and Fred Ah Kuoi play for Hull and Garry Prohm is with Hull Kingston Rovers. They are all in the squad for Saturday. All are happily settled in the Ferriby and Swanland areas of Hull, they all have jobs and Dane O'Hara has a particulary rewarding and popular one as schools Rugby League liaison officer.

Despite their acclimatization in Britain, and their popularity in this country, they have no qualms or illusions about playing against team colleagues in the international matches.

As Gary Prohm put it: "When we step out on to the park wearing the black and white jersey, we are New Zealanders playing for New Zealand. Before and after the match we are all friends and colleagues, but for 80 minutes it is country against country."

Tame is the game when the fish are not wild

By Conrad Voss Bark

FISHING

A distinguished American fly fisherman, John Randolph, editor of the magazine *Fly Fisherman*, has been writing about a recent visit to Britain during which he found some noticeable differences in the philosophy of fly fishing here and in the United States.

Over the centuries, he writes in a leading article, England has, for a variety of environmental and social reasons, lost most of its wild trout. What is left is primarily fishing on closed moving and stillwaters for stock fish, which, he says, "have long pedigrees in the hatcheries but precious little of Darwin's survival of the fittest".

The result is fishing for amiable and relatively easy fish. The system, he goes on, works superbly for the English on both stream and reservoir because it provides the greatest good for the greatest number in the limited space and places that are available. All the same, those fishermen who have experience of fishing abroad are now inclined to lobby, with some success, for more wild fish.

He continues: "Anyone who has hooked a wild brookie in a mountain stream, or an acrobatic rainbow on such streams as the Henry's Fork, the Bow, the Big Horn or New York's Delaware, needs no explanation of the zest for life that dwells in wild genes."

The US has rigid rules about preserving its wild fish, both trout and salmon, and State fishery departments enforce catch restrictions and limitations at a moment's notice. We have nothing comparable over here except for professional sea fishing.

There is much to be said in favour of Mr Randolph's judgement. Our system, as he says, does work well. Yet when I was a boy our Yorkshire streams were full of wild brown trout. They are full no longer and we are all the poorer.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

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CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Everton v Nottingham Forest (7.0). Manchester City v Barnsley (6.45). Postponed: Derby v Aston Villa
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Swindon v Luton (2.30).
HERTFORDSHIRE SENIOR CUP: First round replay: Hemel Hempstead v Berkhamsted.
OTHER MATCH: Cambridge University v Tottenham XI (at Fenner's, 2.15).

ICE HOCKEY

SCOTTISH REGAL CUP: Glasgow Dynamos v Ayr Bruins (at Dundee, 6.30).

BASKETBALL

BRITISH MASTERS TROPHY: Regional round: Birmingham Bullets v South Wales Police (7.30); Homespare Bolton v Oldham Celtics (8.0); ORS Sunderland v English Estates Cleveland (8.0).

OTHER SPORT

BADMINTON: England v Korea (men and women, at The Sands Centre, Carlisle, 6.30); Wimbledon tournament (at Wimbledon S and BC).
BOWLS: CIS United Kingdom singles championship (at Guild Hall, Preston).
BOXING: British cruiserweight championship: Sammy Reeson v Stewart Lithgo (at Latchmere Leisure Centre, Battersea).

African diary

A nation yet to get on its bike

DAVID MILLER, Chief Sports Correspondent, continues his fact-finding tour of African countries with Juan Samaranch, president of the International Olympic Committee

Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

It is an old joke among sportswriters that when an international controversy remains unresolved all that is needed is the decision from Upper Volta. When you arrive here the joke is soon seen to be sour among a population 90 per cent illiterate in a land fruitless of all facilities.

The Olympic Committee were formed in 1972 but for the last three years the country had been unable to afford to compete in an international event other sending a lone runner to the African championships in Cairo this year.

It is a crying shame, for in a first division friendly football match between Etoile and Civil Service Lazare Hien revealed the kind of skills we rarely see in half a dozen European matches and while a girl runner in the 800 metres showed such promise that she has been awarded an IOC overseas scholarship.

Burkina could, of course, have taken the six subsidized places offered by the IOC to every country to compete in Los Angeles but declined the invitation for political reasons, even though allegedly unaligned. Their 35-year-old Head of State, Captain Thomas Sankara, ruler for three years, is a somewhat volatile soldier who jockeys unpredictably between super-power assistance and provocatively could not give Mr Samaranch an answer on participation in Seoul during a lively lunch.

Burkina Faso means "uncorruptible republic", and resident administrators of the World Food Programme and World Health Organization acknowledge the resilience of a people who have almost nothing. But the WFP representatives say that this year's rain will not solve the crisis of a country which has nothing to export except Marxism.

Everywhere Mr Samaranch went he was accompanied by track-suited athletes chanting *Le pays ou la mort. Nous vaincrons* (Country or Death. We will conquer). By law everyone must do an hour's sport at 5.0 in the afternoon, even if they have only one leg. The cycling ethic has been imported from China: a population of seven million has 10 million cycles and mopeds.

A rich country poor on sport

Niamey, Niger

Flying into Niamey from the West, you see a marked difference in the landscape. Green trees and a limited number of green fields greet the eye. As one of the world's main sources of uranium, Niger is able to afford some of the sophistication of irrigation, electricity and the food and factories which come with both.

But it is still fairly short of international sportsmen. During this tour by the president of the IOC, Juan Samaranch, the Olympic committees of the 13 countries he is visiting are given advice and information on the state of athletics finances and opportunities by Lamine Diack, former Sports Minister of Senegal, president of the African Athletic Confederation and vice-president of the International Amateur Athletic Federation.

"My job," Mr Diack said, "is to try and get across to the Olympic committees and to the Ministers of Sport that the assistance of the Government is not a gift but an obligation. Sport is not simply a matter of leisure, it is part of education, and must be treated as such. It can be one of the incentives in countries where only 50 per cent of the children are going to school."

News, even good news, tends to travel slowly and some countries are unaware of what is available through the wealth of the Solidarity Fund. Mr Diack emphasizes that in Seoul the IOC's subsidizing of athletes will probably rise from six to 10 and more in 1992.

He points out that in all world championships run by the IAAF, including the junior championships, all travel and accommodation expenses are paid. "No African country can therefore say it cannot go to an international competition," he said.

After the world championships of 1983 in Helsinki it was decided to split the profits of $1.5 million among the continents rather than the competing countries and this is now able to generate further competition. The only problem for Africans is being able to prepare well and they can only do that by increasing their involvement in the seven zonal competitions in Africa. We even pay the accommodation at these, so a country has only to find the air tickets."

Mr Diack admits that the balance of power between national Olympic committees and Ministers of Sport is probably more threatened in Africa than in any continent. Yet the increase in assistance which sports bodies are able to give to international competitors is beginning to restore some of the autonomy of the Olympic committees.

Niger has not won an Olympic medal since a boxing bronze in 1972 but that may change in the near future. The Chinese are here erecting yet another stadium, one of the eight yet to be finished in addition to the 12 already in use in Africa. It will be a multi-sports complex for half a dozen sports including a hotel with 100 beds. Niger has the money to exploit such a facility.

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HORSE TRIALS

Britain demand better travel to defend titles in Australia

Britain are prepared to defened their world three-day event title in Australia in May, but only if the travelling schedules are changed. The British Horse Society's trials committee, who discussed the matter yesterday, are to insist that the Australian Equestrian Federation reduce the flight time to Adelaide from around 40 hours to 24 to minimize the stress on horses.

Hugh Neill, chairman of the horse trials committee, said: "If the Australians cannot help in reducing the travelling time for the horses then we amy have no alternative but to withdraw from the championships. The flight time currently estimated is about 40 hours and we are convinced that this would cause unacceptable stress to our horses."

The BHS believe that a more satisfactory travel schedule could be devised througH re-routing to the Gawler venue in South Australia. Leading riders, including the European champion, Virginia Holgate, and Lucinda Green, holder of the world individual title, had expressed misgivings about the problems associated with the 12,000 mile journey.

Apart from the travel time, there are also the questions of horses having to go into six weeks' quarantine and riders detaching themselves from their own domestic spring programme.

The feeling before yesterdays meeting was that a majority of committee members were in favour of pulling out of the event and Britain's absence (they are both world and European title holders as well as Olympic silver medal winners) would have been a set-back to the Australians, who are staging the event for the first time.

The fear was that other European countries would also be discouraged from making the trip and that there could be only a handful of countries – the host nation, New Zealand and perhaps the Olympic champions the United States – taking part in what might have been a hollow event. Britain will still have to find around £50,000 to take part and the BHS are currently engaged in fund raising activities to this end.

TENNIS

Britain's hopes slim in Wightman Cup

Williansburg, Virginia (Reuter) – Britian's hopes of reversing a six-year trend by winning the Wightman Cup gained credibility last week, but they look unlikely to loosen the United States grip on the women's team contest which opens today.

The visiting nation's prospects of improving on last year's 5-2 home defeat were boosted when Jo Jurie and Annabel Croft overcame strong seeded opposition to reach the Pretty Polly Classic semi-finals at Brighton.

Miss Durie, however, then lost to Manuela Maleeva, the world's No 10, and Miss Croft, who is 19, was well beaten by Chris Lloyd.

Mrs Lloyd has won all her Wightman Cup singles matches and has been taken to three sets just three times. She will be playing for a US record thirteenth year. she captains a team comprising the world No 3, Pam Shriver, the world No 11, Kathy Rinaldi and Anne White and Betsy Nagelsen, the doubles specialists. With Miss Croft ranked 28th and Miss Durie one place lower, the odds are stacked against the British. None of the Britons, who also number Virginia Wade, the former Wimbledon champion, Anne Hobbs, the national champion, and Sara gomer, ranked higher in the world than her American opposite number. The tournament consists of five singles, including reverse singles between each side's top two players, and two doubles.

Wade: Captain

Miss Wade carries with her the achievement of having played more Wightman Cup matches than anyone – 55 – of which she has won 19. But in her last singles outing two years ago, she was beaten by Miss Rinaldi, now aged 18.

By contrast with Miss Wade's experience, Miss White, who is 24, will be playing in her first Wightman Cup and Miss Nagelsen, aged 29, only her second. Miss shriver, aged 23, has a 2-1 singles and doubles record in her three previous appearances. Miss Croft, the British No 2, beat Miss Moulton on her Wightman Cup debut last year.

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RACING: CHAMPION JOCKEY CAN EDGE NEARER 200 MARK WITH REDCAR DOUBLE

Primrose Valley should blossom

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Steve Cauthen's quest to become the first jockey to ride 200 winners in England in a season since Sir Gordon Richards achieved the feat in 1952 entails a trip to Redcar today where he has five rides. The best he may be able to hope for is a double on La Bleu (2.0) and Choire Moir (3.30) to take his total to 194.

Pitted against Homing Angel, Runaway and Wanton in the Provideo Stakes, Choire Moir undoubtedly faces a tough task. But having won successive races over six furlongs at Redcar, Epsom and York, you can be sure that she will be running on at the end of five when the others have cried enough and I just prefer her to Wanton, who only just lasted home over the minimum trip at Doncaster last Friday.

In the Links Maiden Stakes, Cauthen rides Responder, stable companion of Choire Moir at Warren Place. But here I much prefer **Primrose Valley** (nap), a close relation of the 1978 Derby winner, Shirley Heights.

When last seen at Hamilton Park nine days ago, Responder was beaten 15 lengthsin a moderate race, whereas Primrose Valley was far from disgraced at Ascot last time out when she finished a reasonably close fifth behind Free Guest in the Princess Royal Stakes. Earlier in the season my nap ran well enough in the Galtree Stakes at York in August to suggest that a prize like this should be there for the taking.

While Greville Starkey may win the Ganton Handicap Stakes for Guy Harwood on Nuravia, who looked unlucky not to do better than finish only fourth last time out at Catterick, I still believe that his best chance this afternoon lies in the EBF Municipal Stakes with Ivybridge who turned a similar race here a week ago into a procession.

By the Derby winner Sir Ivor and out of that crack two-year-old, Devon Ditty, Ivybridge's presence at Redcar again today is a prime example of how competitive run-of-the-mill English racing has become in recent years.

At Wincanton, Artic Beau, who was successful first time out on the Somerset course a fortnight ago, attempts to improve his record there in the Wincanton group Challenge Cup at the expense of the local favourite, Easter Carnival, who was won five times on the course and Cobley Express.

I believe **Arctic Beau** will be equal to the task even though he will be meeting Easter Carnival on much worse terms this time. He will also be much sharper than on his debut.

The Tsarevich, a winner at the National Hunt Festival at Cheltenham in March, will surely have to be only half right to win the Terry Biddlecombe Challenge Trophy. He will be meeting his four rivals on far better terms than he would if this were a handicap.

Course specialists

REDCAR

TRAINERS: H Thomson Jones, 22 winners from 85 runners, 25.9%; M Prescott, 14 from 62, 22.6%; F Durr, 10 from 80, 12.5%.
JOCKEYS: G Duffield, 29 winners from 225 rides, 12.9%; T Ives, 17 from 152, 11.2%; J Lowe, 33 from 320, 10.3%.

Blinkered first time

REDCAR: 1.30 Blow The Whistle, Hail And Hearty, Iftohi. 2.0 Kadesh. 2.30 Intoxication. 3.0 Daybreaker. 4.0 Kangaroo.

The Tsarevich, who will be a short-priced favourite for today's Terry Biddlecombe Challenge Trophy (3.30)

Piggott and Cauthen pick up US plums

From Our Irish Correspondent, Dublin

Lester Piggott and Steve Cauthen have come in for the plum rides on Theatrical and Committed in the multi-million dollar Breeders' Cup meeting at Aqueduct in New York on Saturday following the failure of Michael Kinane, Dermot Weld's stable jockey, to pass a fitness test.

Earlier this month, Kinane broke Wally Swinburn's eight-year-old record for winners in an Irish Flat season when he gained his 102nd success at Phoenix Park. He took a bad fall at Gowran Park but attempted a comeback at Leopardstown last Saturday. Midway through the meeting he cried off his other ride and yesterday said: "I would not like to ride any horse which I could not do justice."

Weld has had to look around in search of replacements not only for his two Breeders' Cup runners, but also for three other runners which he will saddle at Acqueduct over the next week.

Piggott will renew his association with Bert Firestone's Theatrical in the Breeders' Cup Turf Race. In June Piggott made his final attempt to better his own record of Epsom Derby winners on Theatrical, who finished out of the money behind Slip Anchor. However, the colt ran a much better race for Kinane in the Irish Sweeps Derby to finish a close second to the now-retired Law Society.

Cauthen partnered Committed, who runs in the Breeders' Cup Sprint, to victory in last year's Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp. Committed won that valuable sprint again this month and she now goes back to the United States where she was bred with a spectacular record in Europe of 15 wins and seven places in 26 starts.

Pat Eddery will be aboard the other three Weld runners. Field Dancer (Friday's Royal Heroine Stakes), Easy To Copy (Sunday's Long Island Handicap) and Kamakura (Tuesday's Knickerbocker Handicap).

Easy To Copy has run five times so far this year and her three wins included the Premio Legnano at Milan in June. Field Dancer in the Sangster colours has produced an even better average of wins from runs with five victories out of seven

Nomination to take francs

Nomination, trained by Paul Cole and ridden by Richard Quinn, could provide an English victory in today's £25,000 Critérium de Maisons Laffitte over seven furlongs. Celtic Heir, who will be ridden by Willie Ryan and Lead On Time, the mount of Pat Eddery, bolster the English challenge but may not be quite good enough.

Nomination ran extremely well, although out of the money, when unplaced to Huntingdale in the Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket recently. He was in the lead for over six furlongs and it was probably the fact that he had not raced for almost three months that caused him to run out of steam. Before that he had won the Richmond Stakes at Goodwood in fine style.

Celtic Heir was a surprise winner of last week's Horris Hill Stakes at Newbury and could run well, but more danger to Nomination could come from the locally trained Excalibur's Lake, who is highly thought of, and the recent course and distance winner, Nanortalik, the mount of Lester Piggott and Le Belverdere.

CRITERIUM DE MAISONS-LAFFITTE (Group II: £25,308: 2-y-o colts & fillies: 7f) (14 runners).

110	Nomination	9-2 T Quinn
201	Celtic Heir	9-0 W Ryan
110	Rayonnante	8-11 Y Saint-Martin
1	Le Belvedere	8-7 F Head
12	Lead On Time	8-7 Pat Eddery
224	With Hope	8-7 D Beadman
01	Nanortalik	8-7 L Piggott
310	Arcert	8-7 H Samani
212	Pantile	8-7 G Guignard
100	Excalibur's Lake	8-7 C Asmussen
143	Adorable Micol	8-7 J L Kessas
040	Northern Joke	8-4 M Philipperon
000	Electric Storm	8-4 J C Desaint
120	Gitahda	8-4 A Gibert

5-2 Noomination, 7-2 Rayonnante, With Hope (coupled), 4 Excalibur's Lake, 7 Gitahda, Electric Storm (coupled).

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Going: firm

Draw advantage: 5f-1m, high numbers best

1.30 EAGLESCLIFFE MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £1,378: 6f) (23 runners)

2	00000	AUCTION MAN (Mrs B Gittins) R Hollinshead 9-0	S Perks	23
3	400	BLOW THE WHISTLE (B) (Beechgrove Stud) R Sheather 9-0	T Ives	11
4	0	BRITWYDD (A Hodge) C Booth 9-0	R Hills	5
6	0	DEARHAM BRIDGE (M Gunn) D Moffatt 9-0	C Coates	5
7	00000	DRAGOUS HOUR (Ng Ek Tong) F Carr 9-0	S Morris	21
10	40	HARLEYFORD LAD (G Foley) Denys Smith 9-0	D Leadbitter 5	2
11	230	JARROVIAN (A leBlond) T Fairhurst 9-0	S Cauthen	9
12	0	KINGS TOUCH (Mrs S MacMaster) P Makin 9-0	G Baxter	15
13	33	KNYF (Lady Howard de Walden) E Weymes 9-0	E Guest 3	14
15	0403	LE MIEUX (C F Hunter Ltd) A M Robson 9-0	J Bleasdale	6
16	00	MUSIC REVIEW (Mrs P Payne) W Jarvis 9-0	N Day	7
17	00	RED IN THE MORNING (Mrs G Noel) S Norton 9-0	J Lowe	18
18	0043	TOUGH BOY (Exors lat S Doyle) J Berry 9-0	Gay Kelleway 5	8
19		CELTIC SONATA (J Acklam) C Booth 8-11	R Lines 3	10
20		COPLEYS WALK (Hippodromo Racing) Miss S Hall 8-11	K Hodgson	19
21	40	HAIL AND HEARTY (B) (Lord McAlpine) H Thomson Jones 8-11	R Hills	1
22	00000	IFTOHI (B) (Miss J Howard) D Morley 8-11	G Duffield	22
24	0	MISS VAIGLY BLUE (B) (Mrs V Haigh) W Haigh 8-11	D Nicholls	16
25	000	NAGEM (D Brereton) L Barratt 8-11	A Shoults 5	4
26	40004	OUR MUMSIE (W Wilson) N Bycroft 8-11	L Charnock	13
27	0440	OWL'S WAY (Mrs F Bentley) W Bentley 8-11	M Beecroft	3
29	00	SEA VENOM (R Halling) R Thompson 8-11	P Bradwell	12
32	0	THE DABBER (Miss M Forsyth) G Harman 8-11	S Keightley	20

1984: Powder Blue 8-11 R Cochrane (14-1) P Makin 21 ran.

3 Hail And Hearty, 4 Knyf, 6 Harleyford Lad, 7 Jarrovian, Blow The Whistle, 8 Tough Boy, 10 Kings Touch, 12 Red In The Morning, 16 others.

FORM: BLOW THE WHISTLE (9-0) best effort on debut when just over 4l 4th to Super Punk (9-0) at Nottingham (6f, £824, good to firm, Sept 9, 20 ran). HLEYFORD LAD (9-0) best effort when 4½l 4th to Au-Dessus (9-0) on debut Nottingham (5f, £812, firm, Sept 30, 9 ran). JARROVIAN (8-11) 4l 3rd to Sundeed (9-4) at York (5f), previously (9-0) 5l 2nd to the same horse (9-0) with BRITWOOD (9-0) 2l back in 5th at Nottingham (5f, £812, firm, Sept 30, 9 ran). KNYF (8-11) 1¾l 3rd to Priory Place (9-2) at Catterick (7f, £2,714 good to firm, Oct 19, 10 ran). TOUGH BOY (8-11) 4l and a head 3rd to Impala Lass (8-8) at Catterick (5f, £1,293, good to firm, Oct 18, 20 ran). HAIL AND HEARTY (8-11) on debut 4½l 4th to Treasure Key (9-0) at Newbury (5f, £300, good to firm, Sept 21, 15 ran).
Selection: KNYF.

2.0 BRASS CASTLE SELLING HANDICAP STAKES (£1,030: 1m 2f) (15)

1	030110	LA BLEU (C,D) (BF) (P Asquith) J Fitzgerald 3-9-10	S Cauthen	3
2	420040	MURILLO (B) (F Carr) F Carr 9-9-8	J Carr 7	12
3	000-000	KADESH (B) (R Phillips) F Yardley 4-9-6	J Johnson	1
7	000000	COMPOSER (B) (Mrs K Jackson) M James 7-9-2	D Nicholls	4
11	10-0000	GIBBON (D) (N Bycroft) N Bycroft 3-8-11	M Richardson 7	15
14	000-000	METZKY (H Quick) Charles 4-8-10	E Guest 3	7
15	000400	HONEST TOKEN (T Craig) T Craig 6-8-9	A Shoults 5	11
17	000043	RUSTIC TRACK (C,D) (D Smith) Denys Smith 5-8-8	D Leadbitter 5	6
18	034004	NATINA-MAY (C) (J Eardley) D Moffatt 4-8-8	C Coates 5	14
19	035-000	EYELIGHT (R Hollinshead) R Hollinshead 8-8-7	S Perks	9
23	000	TELECONGOLD (A M Robson) A Robson 4-8-6	J Bleasdale	13
25	2000/00	SOVEREIGN CELLAR (Mrs D Ibbotson) Miss L Siddall 7-8-6	G Gosney	8
26	4040-03	SIRAM QUEST (D Harding) C Booth 3-8-4	R Hills	10
28	00000	WHITE FLAG (G Bernacchi) D Oldroyd 3-8-1	–	2
29	000003	SANTOPADRE (W Storey) W Storey 3-8-0	S Whitworth	5

1984: Hot Betty 4-9-3 R Guest (9-1) W Guest 18 ran.

7-2 La Bleu, 9-2 Santopadre, 5 Murillo, 7 Rustic Track, 8 Natina-May, 10 Siram Quest, Gibbon, 12 Eyelight, 14 others.

FORM: LA BLEU well beaten last time, previously (9-6) an easy 4l winner from Musical Will (8-13) at Nottingham (1m 2f, £1,024, firm, Sept 30, 8 ran). MURILLO never dangerous last time, previously (8-6) a strong finishing 1¾l 4th of 14 to Bold Illusion (7-11) at Chester (1m 2f, £1,586, good, Aug 30. COMPOSER (9-4) won a Haydock seller by ½l from Switsspender (9-0) in June (1m 2f, £1,398, good to soft, 15 ran). RUSTIC TRACK (8-6) 3½l 3rd of 16 to Elartun (9-10) at Beverley in a handicap (1m 2f, £1,599, firm, Sept 25). NATINA-MAY (8-11) 11¾l 4th to Frisco (8-8) in a Hamilton seller (1m, £859, soft, Oct 22, 8 ran). SIRAM QUEST (8-11) 6½l 3rd of 6 to Arctic Girl (9-7) in a Catterick seller (1m 4f, £929, good to firm, Oct 19). Selection: MURILLO.

2.30 LINKS MAIDEN STAKES (£986: 1m 4f) (18)

1	004000/	CAERNARVON LAD (D Pearson) G Harman 5-9-0	S Keightley	7
7	000000	JIPIJAPA (Mrs J de Rothschild) E Incisa 4-8-11	–	10
8	000030	MILLAINE (B) (T Holdcroft) S Norton 4-8-11	J Lowe	11
9	000-0	R NANCY (Mrs D Holloway) H Wharton 4-8-11	G Gosney	2
10	000000	ALACAZAM (Heathavon Stables) J Spearing 3-8-8	G Duffield	17
12	302000	CAPAGENIE (D Farrow) R Whitaker 3-8-8	S Perks	12
15	300000	EUROPRINTER (Europrint Promotions) R Whitaker 3-8-8	G Baxter	15
17	0-00	IBN MAJED (C Spares) C Spares 3-8-8	A Proud	4
18	044044	ICKWORTH (B) (Lord Bristol) F Durr 3-8-8	M Birch	5
20	020020	MASTERLY (K Abdulla) W Elsey 3-8-8	M Wood	8
24	000024	STRAWLY (B Croft) R Whitaker 3-8-8	P Doughty 7	1
27	320233	FOUR STAR THRUST (Mrs J Turner) R Whitaker 3-8-5	N Carlisle	14
28	030300	INTOXICATION (B) (Brook Bloodstock plc) B Hills 3-8-5	R Hills	9
29	003000	KUSKKA (A Oppenheimer) G Wragg 3-8-5	M Rimmer	18
31	0-04000	LYRA (Mrs E Longton) W Elsey 3-8-5	S P Griffiths 5	6
33	0	MISS SHARKI (Sheikh Mohammed) G Harwood 3-8-5	G Starkey	3
36	3320	PRIMROSE VALLEY (Lord Halifax) J Dunlop 3-8-5	T Ives	13
37	23	RESPONDER (BF) (N Philipps) H Cecil 3-8-5	S Cauthen	16

1984: (Div I) Spinelle 3-8-6 G Starkey (5-1) G Harwood 16 ran.
(Div II) In The Shade 3-8-5 P Cook (11-10 fav) D Elsworth 16 ran.

6-4 Responder, 9-4 Primrose Valley, 9-2 Intoxication, 6 Masterly, 10 Miss Sharki.

FORM: STRAWLY (8-8) 9½l 4th to Sound Diffusion (8-8) here (2m, £997, good, July 31, 6 ran). FOUR STAR THURST 3rd to Moorland Lady recently, prior to that (8-5) short headed by Generalise (8-8) here (1m 4f, £1,670, good to firm, Sept 27, 13 ran) with ICKWORTH (8-8) 4l further back in 4th. KUSHKA unplaced behind Solamente latest, earlier (8-11) 7½l 3rd to Tremulous (8-11) at Haydock (1m 4f, £2,044, good Aug 10, 7 ran). PRIMROSE VALLEY (8-6) 5½l 5th to Free Guest (9-7) at Ascot (1m 4f, £16,059, good, Oct 12, 15 ran). RESPONDER a well beaten 3rd to Bassim recently, prior to that (8-11) 3l 2nd ot Chehana (8-11) at York (9f, £3,707, good, Oct 12, 10 ran).
Selection: PRIMROSE VALLEY.

3.0 GANTON HANDICAP STAKES (£2,152: 7f) (26)

1	124	NURAVIA (BF) (Sheikh Mohammed) G Harwood 3-10-0	G Starkey	17
2	403340	PLAYTEX (W Clarke) T Barron 5-9-9	G Carter 5	1
5	034-00	RESTORATION (A Duffield) G Calvert 3-9-3	E Guest 3	7
8	000030	BIT OF A STATE (C,D) (B) (J Wilkins) S Wiles 5-9-0	S Cauthen	2
9	101030	BELLA BANUS (C) (R Stephenson) W A Stephenson 3-8-13	M Hindley 3	6
11	0-00000	THATCHERED (J Fry) P Calver 4-8-12	M Fry	16
12	340300	DOUBLE DEALER (D) (B) (Baroness H H Thyssen) P Makin 4-8-12	G Baxter	26
13	001400	ALWAYS NATIVE (D) (T Richards) D Chapman 4-8-11	S Keightley	5
14	332201	THE MAZALL (C) (D Wright) Miss L Siddall 5-8-12 (8 ex)	G Gosney	8
15	030002	SINGLE HAND (D) (Miss D Clinton) D Chapman 5-8-10	M Richardson 7	20
16	004000	SPOILT FOR CHOICE (D) (BF) (W Chapman) D Chapman 5-8-10	D Nicholls	21
17	020003	PRETTY RISKY (Mrs J Ward Ramos) Denys Smith 3-8-7	D Leadbitter 5	9
18	000010	TOP O'TH'LANE (CD) (R Coulton) N Bycroft 8-8-7	L Charnock	10
20	30-0000	APPOINTMENT (Chr Marner) D Morley 3-8-7	N Crowther	24
23	000000	SILENT GAIN (A Norman-Thorpe) W Jarvis 3-8-3	N Day	15
25	0-00	ALNASHME (Hamdan Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 3-8-1	R Hills	4
26	002000	BAKERS DOUBLE (C Harrison) Mrs G Reveley 4-7-13	A Shoults 5	23
27	021000	SCOTCH ROCKET (D) (K Bridges) J Rowlands 3-7-12	N Carlisle	19
28	00000	DAYBREAKER (B) (E Brook) S Norton 3-7-12	J Lowe	22
29	020000	BRAMPTON IMPERIAL (C) (W Swiers) D W Chapman 3-7-12	K Darley	13
31	034222	FAST DEALER (BF) (S Jones) R Armstrong 3-7-9	R Still	18
32	00000	JUST WHY (J Wenman) K Cunningham-Brown 4-7-8	A Proud	3
34	000-000	HIGHLY PLACED (E Holding) E Eldin 3-7-8	G Bardwell 7	12
35	000000	JO-ANDREW (Mrs M Hills) D Chapman 5-7-7	S P Griffiths 5	11
36	010000	HIGHLAND MAJOR (J Hirst) F Watson 4-7-7	G King 7	14
37	000000	PETER'S KIDDIE (G A Farndon) R Hollinshead 4-7-7	A Culhane 7	25

1984: Loredana 3-8-0 P Bloomfield (33-1) G Huffer 25 ran.

5 The Mazall, 6 Fast Dealer, 7 Nuravia, 8 Playtex, Top O'Th'Lane, 10 Single Hand, 12 Double Dealer, Bit Of A State, 14 Alnashme, 15 others.

FORM: NURAVIA (9-7) 1l 4th to Kriegspiel (8-4) at Catterick, DAYBREAKER (7-6) and APPOINTMENT (8-0) behind (7f, £1,665, good to firm, Oct 18, 20 ran). PLAYTEX best recent effort when (7-12) a 4l 3rd to Tremblant (9-5) at Doncaster (7f, £4,546, good, Sept 11, 14 ran). BELLA BANUS (8-4) 2l 3rd to Killyglen (8-9) here (9f, £1,882, firm, Oct 15, 16 ran) on penultimate start earlier (8-7) best Crown Estate (8-6) ½l here with TOP O'TH'LANE (8-7) 2½l away 6th (6f, £1,360 good to firm, Sept 27, 26 ran). DOUBLE DEALER (8-0) 3l 6th to Gilderdale (8-10) at Ascot (6f, £2,885, good to firm, Sept 26, 14 ran). THE MAZALL (8-6) a 1l winner here from Linpac Leaf (9-4) (6f, £1,801, firm, Oct 15, 25 ran). SINGLE HAND (7-13) 2½l Haydock runner-up to Matou (9-5) (6f £3,187, soft, Oct 16, 15 ran). PRETTY RISKY (8-10) 2½l 3rd to Vienna Belle (9-2) at Ayr (7f, £1,572 heavy, Sept 20, 7 ran).
Selection: PRETTY RISKY.

Redcar selections

By Mandarin

1.30 Knyf. 2.0 La Bleu. 2.30 **PRIMROSE VALLEY** (nap). 3.0 Nuravia. 3.30 Choire Mhor. 4.0 Ivybridge.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Hail and Hearty. 2.30 Respondent. 3.0 Fast Dealer. 3.30 Wanton. 4.0 Kangaroo.

By Michael Seely

3.0 **FAST DEALER** (nap). 3.30 Wanton.

3.30 PROVIDEO STAKES (2-y-o: £1,462: 5f) (5)

3	211201	HOMING ANGEL (D) (P Thompson) J Hindley 9-5	A Shoults 5	1
4	112000	RUNAWAY (D) (A Thornhill) R Hollinshead 9-5	S Perks	2
5	222111	CHOIRE MOIR (C) (P Player) H Cecil 9-2	S Cauthen	3
8	000000	DASHAKI GOLD (B) (Miss N Rabey) C Spares 8-8	M Birch	4
9	3301	WANTON (D) (Lord Halifax) W Hastings-Bass 9-2	R Lines 3	5

1984: Provideo 9-5 T Ives (1-8 fav) W O'Gorman 6 ran.

13-8 Wanton, 2 Choire Moir, 7-2 Homing Angel, 5 Runaway, 33 Dashaki Gold.

FORM: HOMING ANGEL (9-7) 4l defeat of Ocean Trader (9-7) at Brighton (5f, £1,803, firm, Oct 2, 5 ran). CHOIRE MHOR (8-11) length defeat of Deadbolt (8-1) at York (5f, £8,129, good to soft, Oct 10, 7 ran). WANTON (8-3) neck scorer from Dublin Lad (9-7) at Doncaster (5f, £7,428, good, Oct 25, 7 ran) and earlier (8-11) 2¾l 3rd to Green Desert (9-0) at Doncaster (5f, £15,702, good to firm, Sept 14, 8 ran), with RUNAWAY (9-0) over 4l further back in last.
Selection: WANTON

4.0 EBF MUNICIPAL STAKES (2-y-o: £1,486: 1m) (12)

2	01	IVYBRIDGE (CD) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 9-7	G Starkey	10
4	031	INNISHMORE ISLAND (D) (Mrs A Ferguson) J Dunlop 9-4	T Ives	12
7	0	CLIFFALDA (C Smith) M Camacho 8-11	–	9
9	000	FAST AND FRIENDLY (J Lawlor) R Hollinshead 8-11	S Perks	5
12		IN DREAMS (B Haggas) M Prescott 8-11	G Duffield	6
14	0	LUCKY HUMBUG (Mrs P Barratt) W Pearce 8-11	–	1
15		MANVIL (Miss C Warwick) W Pearce 8-11	M McAndrew 7	3
18	000	RAFFLES ROGUE (B Rostron) M Camacho 8-11	–	11
20	00	SCARBOROUGH (R Bradley) W Elsey 8-11	J Lowe	8
23		GUNNER MAC (F McHale) N Bycroft 8-8	M Richardson 7	4
24	0003	KANGAROO (B) (H McAlmont) 8-8	R Hills	7
28		TANCRED SAND (W Barker) Miss S Hall 8-8	M Birch	2

1984: Midnight Tiger 9-4 A Murray (4-7 fav) H Thomson Jones 10 ran.

4-5 Ivybridge, 7-4 Innishmore Island, 8 Kangaroo, 12 In Dreams, 14 Fast And Friendly.

FORM: IVYBRIDGE (9-0) an easy 5l winner from Hills Of Arran (9-0) at Redcar (1m, £1,776, firm, Oct 25, 12 ran) INNISHMORE ISLAND (9-0) length scorer from Hurricane Henry (9-0) at Warwick (1m, £886, good to firm, Oct 14, 13 ran). FAST AND FRIENDLY (9-0) 12l 10th to Pasticcio (9-0) at Leicester (7f, £2,656, firm, Oct 22, 17 ran). KANGAROO (8-11) 2½l 3rd to Mysterious Dancer (8-11) at Wolverhampton (9f, £1,164, good to firm, Oct 8, 20 ran).
Selection: IVYBRIDGE

Oliver shines on Aonoch

Aonoch could provide Sharron Oliver, aged 27, with her first ride in the Champion Hurdle at Cheltenham next March. Miss Oliver proved a fine judge of pace on Aonoch, who appeared to have plenty to do going to the last in yesterday's Ekbalco Hurdle at NEWCASTLE, but came through smoothly to win by one and a half lengths from Guisborough Town.

"This is my first visit to Newcastle. I expect Anoch will run next in the Freshwater City Hurdle at Ascot in two weeks, and his chances of lining up for the Champion Hurdle are on the horizon," Miss Oliver's mother, Sally Oliver, the trainer, said.

The winner and runner-up are quoted at 20-1 for the Champion by William Hill. Guisborough Town is expected to return to the track to tackle the Fighting Fifth Hurdle.

Shirlstar Buyabox, bought for just 1,000 guineas at the Doncaster sales, gave weight away to all his rivals in the qualifier of the BMW Series Chase, beating Solares by four lengths. Easter Brig was at the rear of the field when unseating Neale Doughty, who was taken to Newcastle General Hospital for an X-ray examination of his back.

Carpenters Way earned a run in the Hennessy Gold Cup next month after storming to an eight-length victory from Jethart's here in the John Eustace Smith Trophy.

Alan and John Strange, two Dorset farmers, who triumphed in the Cheltenham Gold Cup with Four Ten 31 years ago, hope they have another to emulate him in Six Shot. This big, strong young horse bounced off the firm ground at ASCOT today to a 10-length success in the Malden Timber Novices' Hurdle qualifier.

The brothers bred Six Shot and looked after him so well on their farm that when the forse was sent to Les Kennard last May, the Taunton trainer said "I've never seen a horse so fat in my life. We'll never get him fit".

David Nicholson was fined the fixed penalty of £55 for withdrawing Very Promising from the Embassy Premier Chase qualifier, which left Arapho Prince with a walk-over. Nicholson had announced that Very Promising would run only if there was overnight rain. As well as the sponsors, the executive and race goers, Fulke Walwyn was also extremely disappointed. He had wanted to run Arctic Stream in this race until he was assured that Very Promising was a definite runner. Very Promising now goes to Chepstow on Saturday.

Yesterday's results

Newcastle

GOING: Firm: 1.15 (2m 120yd hdle): 1, JODY'S BOY (Mr S Swiers, 7-1); 2, Tromeros (C Grant, 13-8 fav); 3, Galewood (R O'Leary, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Busk Fuzz, 15-2 Moonlighting (5th), 10 Doughty Rebel (4th), 12 Gindango, 20 Sea Sand, 33 Royaber, Scottish Simbir (6th), 50 Caernarvon Lad, Stretchees. 17 ran. NR: Gamemanship. 4l, ¾l, 2l, 5l, 12l. R Swiers at Boroughbridge. TOTE: £7.10, £1.90, £1.70, £4.20. DF: £5.00. CSF: £18.07.

1.45 (2m 4f): 1, HERON'S REFLECTION: (R Lamb, 5-1); 2, Tudor Folly (K Jones, 6-4); 3, Poumentes (M Dwyer, evens fav). 3 ran. 10l, dist. W A Stephenson at Bishop Auckland. TOTE: £3.20. DF: £2.70. CSF: £10.86.

2.15 (2m 120yd hdle): 1, AONOCH (Miss Sharron Oliver, 8-13 fav); 2, Guisborough Town (A Stringer, 7-2); 3, Hill's Guard (C Grant, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 14 Eboracum (4th), 66 Triad Treble (5th). 5 ran: 1½l, ½l, 15l, dist. Mrs S Oliver at Hereford. TOTE: £1.40; £1.10, £1.50. DF: £2.20. CSF: £3.11.

2.45 (3m ch) 1, SHIRLSTAR BUYABOX (B Storey, 6-4 fav); 2, Solares (P Tuck, 4-1); 3, Clonsharagh (M Dwyer, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Easter Brig (u.r.), 7 Joe's Fancy (5th), 33 Camroc (6th), 50 Wardsoft (4th). 7 ran. 4l, 3l, dist. dist. 3l. J Wade at Ferryhill. TOTE: £2.70; £1.80, £1.60. DF: £6.00. CSF: £7.43.

3.15 (3m ch) 1, CARPENTER'S WAY (C Grant, 13-8 fav); 2, Jetharts Here (J J O'Neill, 7-2); 3, Bush Guide (Mrs V Jackson, 7-2). ALSO RAN: 6 Run 'n Fly (4th), 14 Blue Reef (p/u), 33 Nicky Tam (5th). 6 ran. 8l, 3l, 20l, 2½l Denys Smith at Bishop Auckland. TOTE: £2.30; £1.20, £1.10. DF £2.80. CSF: £6.83.

3.45 (2m 120yd hdle) 1, SHINY PILGRIM (R Lamb, 2-1); 2, Richard Lionheart (M Dwyer, 11-10 fav); 3, Mac Charley (A Stringer, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Christmas Holly (4th), 20n Denver (p/u), Jay Ele Thaw (5th), 33 Balkash (6th), Ferrous, 50 Tullycanna, 100 Sweet Pam, Tuvalu 11 ran. NR: Lothian Emperor. 4l, 6l, 3l, 4l, 12l. W A Stephenson at Bishop Auckland. TOTE: £2.80: £1.10, £1.30, £5.20. DF: £2.30. CSF: £4.62.
PLACEPOT: £9.50.

Ascot

Going: Firm

1.30 (2m hdle) 1. NORSTOWN (N Coleman, 7-1); 2, Little Sloop (P Scudamore, 4-1); 3, Houston Belle (S Sherwood, 10-11 fav). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Abloom (4th), 14 Making Tracks (F). 5 ran. NR: Sexton Ash 7l, 10l, 10l. R Holder at Bristol. TOTE: £11.30; £2.40, £1.30. DF: £15.90. CSF: £29.68.

2.5 1, ARAPAHO PRINCE (P Barton, Walked Over). J Edwards at Ross-on-Wye. NR: Very Promising.

2.35 1, ADMIRAL'S CUP (B de Haan, 2-1); 2, Monza (Rowe, 11-2); 3, State Case (S Morshead, 11-10 fav). ALSO RAN: 9 St William (UR). 4 ran. 6l, 2½l. F Winter at Lambourn. TOTE: £2.80. DF: £4.00. CSF: £10.08.

3.10 (2m hdle) 1, SIX SHOT (B Powell, 7-2). 2, Balmatt (S Morshead, 5-1); 3, Master Cameron (B Wright, 13-8 fav). ALSO RAN: 4 Chazari (4th), 10 Royal Armistist (5th), 16 Star Wonder (F). 6 ran. 10l, 7l, 5l, 30l. L Kennard at Taunton. Tote: £4.40; £1.90, £2.30. DF: £6.70 CSF: £18.85.

3.40 (3m ch) 1, EVERETT (S Shilston, 8-15 fav); 2, Fethard Friend (P Barton, 9-4); 3, Integration (A Jones, 7-1). 3 ran. 5l, 20l. F Walwyn at Lambourn. Tote: £1.80. DF: £1.20 CSF: £1.97.

4.15 (2m 4f hdle) 1, LOR MOSS (C Cox, 100-30); 2, The Processor (P Howe, 33-1); 3, Running Comment (J Ricketts, 4-7 fav). ALSO RAN: 5 Mister Pitt (pu), 14 Serena Plastics (4th), 33 The Floorlayer (5th). 6 ran. 12l, 3l, 25l, 12l A Leighton at Hallow. Tote: £3.80; £1.70, £3.10. DF: £19.30. CSF: £55.58.
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SOUTHWELL

Going: good to firm

1.15 EAST BRIDGFORD HANDICAP CHASE (£1,134: 2m 74yd) (11 runners)

2	311p	OLIVER ANTHONY (CD) N Gaselee 5-11-7	P Scudamore
3	42-p2	STUBBS DAUGHTER (CD) K Bailey 8-11-0	A Jones 4
4	2341	SAUCEPOT (CD) G Richards 7-10-10	N Doughty
5	f-f10	MICK'S RITUAL P Felgate 6-10-9	R J Beggan
6	0232	NEW KAYBER (B) D Gandolfo 5-10-6	P Barton
8	40f-0	RIDARRAGH A Fisher 11-10-2	D Fisher
9	030f	HI DARLIN' H J Manners 8-10-0	Miss G Armytage 7
10	0000	DEAR REMUS (CD) J Harris 13-10-0	J A Harris
11	u001	ENERGISE (CD) C Popham 7-10-0	C Cox 7
12	300f	BRIANSTON BELL Earl Jones 6-10-0	J D Doyle 4
13	0-p00	HANOVER PRINCE G Graham 10-10-0	R Goldstein

1984: Renrebo 7-11-4 P Tuck (6-4 fav) R Perkins 8 ran.

5-2 New Kayber, 11-4 Stubbs Daughter, 3 Oliver Anthony, 9-2 Saucepot, 10 Mick's Ritual, 14 Energise, 16 others.

Southwell selections

By Mandarin

1.15 Saucepot. 1.45 Aldington Mill. 2.15 Pitcruivie. 2.45 Granville Park. 3.15 Spring Chancellor. 3.45 Jonlani. Michael Seely's selection: 3.45 Chuckbuck.

1.45 KINOULTON SELLING STAKES (£580: 2m) (7)

5	00-12	ALDINGTON MILL (CD) C Trietline 6-11-6	A Sharpe
6	0040	PATSY PENNALL (D) M Pipe 5-11-5	P Leach
9	0004	DEMON KING J Thorpe 6-11-0	–
10	0pp-	ELUCIDATE Mrs G Reveley 6-11-0	–
12	0203-	HIGH BARN B Chamley 6-11-0	J McLaughlin
14	0300	PASS ASHORE (B) (BF) M Oliver 6-11-0	R Dunwoody
16	3-2f4	STAY SHARP B Richmond 5-11-0	P Corrigan 7

1984: Porto Louise 5-10-2 G Williams (8-1) D C Tucker 10 ran.

9-4 Aldington Mill, 3 Demon King, 4 Pass Ashore, 6 Patsy Pennall,

2.15 NEWARK STORAGE NOVICES CHASE (£1,408: 3m 110yd) (15)

3	4-2f1	TEENAGE LOVE Mrs M Dickinson 6-11-1	Mr P Denis 7
4	p240	AL KHASHAB P Bevan 8-10-9	R Kington
5	0040	BRANDYLAND Mrs J French 12-10-9	Miss S French
6	b03-3	CAPE FLATTERY R Hartop 6-10-9	J Barlow
7	4304-	CHEVRON BLUE R Perkins 7-10-9	Dai Williams
8	0	COMO LODGE W Mann 8-10-9	–
10	0-1	DEMI CHEVAL Mrs S Davenport 7-10-9	P Scudamore
11	00/00	DONTAN Mrs W Sykes 6-10-9	S Morshead
13	200p-	FAME THE SPUR P Davis 7-10-9	P Nicholls
15	0p-00	FREE DROP P Davis 7-10-9	Miss T Davis 7
17	00-03	HY TAB Earl Jones 8-10-9	J D Doyle 4
18	p04/p	MANNA BRIDGE M Hinchcliffe 7-10-9	Mr S Andrews 4
21	f0-21	PITCRUIVIE G Richards 6-10-9	N Doughty
22	u4-30	PRYDEL R Champion 7-10-9	Mr T Thomson Jones
30	upu	FINE FOOTSTEPS J Harris 6-10-4	J A Harris

1984: Wallare 6-10-9 J Kinane (3-1 jt-fav) G W Richards 12 ran.

2 Teenage Love, 9-4 Pitcruivie, 4 Fame The Spur, 6 Cape Flattery.

2.45 MALDEN TIMBER NOVICES HURDLE (Qualifier: £2,003: 2m) (9)

1	12	GRANVILLE PARK (BF) Mrs M Dickinson 4-11-9	G Bradley
5	p035-	DRYFEHEAD K Bailey 5-11-0	P Croucher
9		HELL RAISER J Thorpe 6-11-0	–
11	0002-	KOUROS O Brennan 5-11-0	M Brennan
13	000-0	POINT CLEAR P Harris 5-11-0	R Stronge
14	0-2	RIO BAY S Christian 5-11-0	R J Beggan
21	23-00	ELUSIVE SPIRIT W Clay 5-10-9	S J O'Neill
22	00	NETHERDROM N Gaselee 5-10-9	V McKevitt
23		SWEET RASCAL J Bradley 6-10-9	G Davies

1984: Just Alick 5-11-5 A Brown (8-13 fav) M H Easterby 11 ran.

5-4 Granville Park, 13-8 Rio Bay, 9-2 Elusive Spirit, 12 Kouros, Dryfehead, 16 other.

3.15 BINGHAM HANDICAP CHASE (£1,788: 3m 110yd) (10)

1	00-23	SPRING CHANCELLOR (CD) W A Stephenson 10-11-10	R Lamb
3	112-0	COVENT GARDEN (CD) (B) W Clay 7-11-1	S J O'Neill
8	01-00	SEA SPLASH (CD) O Brennan 9-10-5	M Brennan
9	0/p-03	ROYAL MINSTREL (D) T Bill 10-10-0	R Crank
11	12p-0	SMALL MONEY Mrs W Sykes 6-10-0	S Morshead
12	3003	TAMDHU H Dale 12-10-0	Susan Wilton 7
13	3411	BURGLARS WALK (C) Denys Smith 5-10-0 (6 ex)	C Grant
14	030-0	ALABAMA (CD) F Jackson 7-10-0	Mr R Morris
15	40p-4	CALDWELL CASE (B) R Swiers 10-10-0	Mr S Swiers 7
18	000f-	JUST A GHOST Mrs J French 9-10-0	Miss S French

1984: Virginia Road 8-10-6 J Kinane (10-1) G Richards 6 ran.

3 Covent Garden, 7-2 Spring Chancellor, 4 Royal Minstrel, 11-2 Burglars Walk, 10 Alabama, 12 Sea Splash, Small Money, Caldwell Case, 15 others.

3.45 LOWDHAM HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,482: 2m 4f) (14)

2	231d	SLIEVE LUACHRA K Bailey 7-11-11	P Croucher
4	20-0	JONLANI Mrs M Dickinson 6-11-6	R Earnshaw
5	4411-	SHEPHERD'S HYMN T Bill 4-11-1	R Crank
6	0421	CHUCKBUCK (CD) S Smith 8-10-10	J Brennan
7	431f	DERRYCREHA LASS (D) (BF) O O'Neill 6-10-10 (6 ex)	T Williams 7
9	02p-4	SOLIDOR Mrs S Davenport 8-10-6	P Scudamore
11	42-20	GAINVILLE LAD F Gibson 4-10-5	S J O'Neill
13	1f0-4	FREE CHOICE M Oliver 7-10-4	R Dunwoody
14	3342	CARADO (B) M Pipe 4-10-4	–
16	0003	GRANGEHILL (CD) Miss G Rees 10-10-0	Mr P Dennis 7
17	p-432	ATHENS STAR J Bradley 10-10-0	G Davies
20	3224	WORDSWORTH B Preece 5-10-0	R Stronge
23	130-0	PORTO LOUISE (C) F Jackson 6-10-0	Mr R Morris
25	000-0	GALA LAD (CD) T Hall 11-10-0	M Pepper

1984: Squires Close 8-11-0 D C Hawkins (13-2) N Crump 15 ran.

3 Chuckbuck, 7-2 Free Choice, 4 Carado, 11-2 Grangehill, 8 Derrycreha Lass, 10 Solidor, Athens Star, 14 others.

WINCANTON

Going: firm

1.30 NETHER WALLOP NOVICES HURDLE (Div I: £708: 2m 6f) (8 runners)

4	p/4-0	COMEDY LANE L Kennard 6-10-10	R Rowe
6	0-440	EL CITO N Mitchell 8-10-10	Mr L Harvey 7
7	0040-	FELL CLIMB P Bailey 5-10-10	J White
11	p0	THE HALLION B Venn 5-10-10	Miss S Lawrence 7
12	-pp03	BASSINET G Doidge 5-10-5	D Wonnacott 7
13	0000-	CAME COTTAGE N Mitchell 4-10-5	N Coleman
14	-3001	CHILLY MISS (B) N Ayliffe 8-10-5	M Ayliffe
15	3-f22	JOSCILLA (BF) L Kennard 6-10-5	B Powell

1984: Lonach 6-10-10 R Linley (11-1) G Balding 13 ran.

11-10 Joscilla, 4 Fell Climb, 6 El Cito, 8 Bassinet, 12 Chilly Miss, 14 Comedy Lane, 16 others.

2.0 NAILSWORTH NOVICES' CHASE (£2,614: 2m 5f) (7)

1	2422	BLACK EARL I Wardle 8-11-9	R Rowe
2	-20ff	CELTIC HAMLET P Cundell 6-11-9	A Gorman
5	14p-3	ARCTIC STREAM F Walwyn 6-11-4	K Mooney
9	20f/u	LE CHAMP TALOT N Mitchell 9-11-4	N Coleman
11	p-402	PALMERSTON (B) D Barons 8-11-4	P Nicholls
13	f0-ff	THE GREY GUNNER G Balding 5-11-4	B Reilly
15	0f-30	JIM'S DARLEEN P Duggins 5-10-13	A Webb

1984: Easy Steed 6-11-4 S Smith Eccles (33-1) S Pattemore 14 ran.

4-5 Arctic Stream, 7-2 Black Earl, 6 Palmerston, 8 Celtic Hamlet, 12 Le Champ Talot, 20 Jim's Darleen.

2.30 WINCANTON GROUP CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP CHASE (£3,824: 3m 1f) (5)

5	222-1	ARCTIC BEAU (CD) J Thorne 7-11-11 (4 ex)	H Davies
6	1121	COBLEY EXPRESS B Isaac 9-11-6 (4 ex)	R Millman
8	00-23	EASTER CARNIVAL (CD) (BF) K Bishop 9-10-10	P Richards
10	1p/43	DAWN FOX (CD) P Duggins 12-10-0	A Webb
11	-2213	PRINCELY CALL (D) Mrs G Jones 11-10-0	J Suthern

1984: Cnoc Na Cuille 7-11-0 R Rowe (5-2) J Gifford 3 ran.

4-7 Arctic Beau, 3 Cobley Express, 6 Easter Carnival, 10 Princely Call, 14 Dawn Fox.

3.0 NETHER WALLOP NOVICES HURDLE (Div II: £722: 2m 6f) (10)

3	-0342	BLACK SHEEP I Dudgeon 8-10-10	R Linley
4	4	CANADIAN KING G Balding 6-10-10	B Reilly
5	p-	DUN ROLFE N Gaselee 5-10-10	D Browne
8	3304	GREY TORNADO T Keenor 4-10-10	George Knight
9	1304	QUEENS PALACE J Edwards 7-10-10	J Suthern
10	00-u0	ROIPAUL W King 5-10-10	C Warren 7
13	00p/	TIGER TED P Bailey 5-10-10	J Duggan
15		BY HEAVEN (B) Miss A Lingard 6-10-5	Mr L Harvey 7
20	0-	ROMFUL AIR C Mitchell 5-10-5	C Gray
21	p/	SHINING C W Nash 4-10-5	–

1984: Scotch Princess 8-10-1 R Pusey (13-8 fav) R Chugg 8 ran.

11-8 Black Sheep, 3 Queens Palace 5 Canadian King, 6 Grey Tornado, 8 Dun Rolfe, 14 Romful Air, 16 others.

3.30 TERRY BIDDLECOMBE CHALLENGE TROPHY CHASE (£3,406: 2m 5f) (5)

4	220p	GAMBLING PRINCE Mrs G Jones 12-11-6	J Suthern
6	1302	POLAR EXPRESS W King 10-11-6	C Warren
7	1212-	THE TSAREVICH N Henderson 9-11-6	J White
8	1-212	LEODEGRANCE L Kennard 9-11-1	B Powell
10	2412	CELTIC STORY J Jenkins 5-10-7	S Smith Eccles

1984: Wayward Lad 9-11-6 R Earnshaw (2-9 fav) Mrs M Dickinson 3 ran.

Evens The Tsarevich, 11-4 Celtic Story, 9-2 Leodegrance, 12 Polar Express, 14 Gambling Prince.

Wincanton selections

By Mandarin

1.30 Joscilla. 2.0 Arctic Stream. 2.30 Arctic Beau. 3.0 Queen's Palace. 3.30 The Tsarevich. 4.0 Indian Major.

4.0 LADBROKE HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,662: 2m) (5)

2	030/4	SPIDERWOOD P M Taylor 6-11-10	R Pusey
4	14-12	INDIAN MAJOR (CD) (BF) Miss P Barnes 8-11-9	M Bastard
6	0001-	HARBOUR BRIDGE (CD) I Dudgeon 5-10-13	R Linley
7	0002-	MILORE (D) I Wardle 7-10-8	K Townend 7
8	110-	BELTANE THE SMITH (D) J Thorne 5-10-8	H Davies

1984: Prideaux Boy 8-11-10 B Wright (11-4 jt-fav) C Roach 13 ran.

13-8 Indian Major, 3 Milore, 4 Beltane The Smith, 5 Harbour Bridge, 8 Spiderwood.

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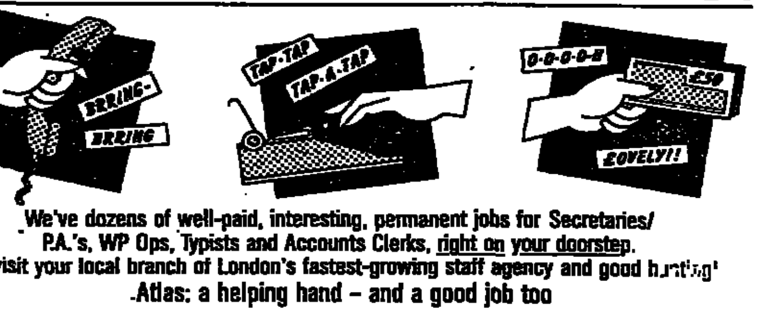

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W L SPROGE
Secretary
50 Hans Crescent,
Knightsbridge,
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28th October 1985

PUBLIC NOTICES

CONVOCATION

The Vice-chancellor has summoned an extraordinary meeting of Convocation under Statute 30 (3) on Monday, 4 November, 1985 at 5.30 p.m. in the Union Society Debating Chamber, Pemberton Building, Palace Green, Durham.

J. C. F. HAYWARD
Registrar and Secretary
University Office,
Old Shire Hall,
Old Elvet,
Durham, DH1 3HP.
28 October, 1985.

LEGAL NOTICES

ICS Financing Limited

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a Meeting of the creditors of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co, 30 Eastbourne Terrace, London, W2 6LF on Tuesday the 5th day of November 1985 at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes provided for in Sections 589 and 590.

Dated the 23rd day of October 1985
PETER M BAGSHAW
Director

In the matter of ROPERS PLASTICS LIMITED and In the matter of THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 and 1985

BY ORDER of the High Court of Justice dated 23rd day of May, 1985, MR ANTHONY JOHN RICHMOND, of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co., The Fountain Precinct, 1 Balm Green, Sheffield S1 3AF, has been appointed Liquidator of the above named company.

Dated this 24th day of October, 1985.

RE: MALTI-KIDIA PRODUCTIONS LIMITED

By order of the High Court
Dated the 9th March, 1985

Neville Eckley FCA of 332 Brighton Road, South Croydon has been appointed Liquidator of the above-named company without a committee of inspection.

Dated 26th October, 1985.

RE: OCEAN TRADITIONAL LIMITED and THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

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J. A. DANIELS
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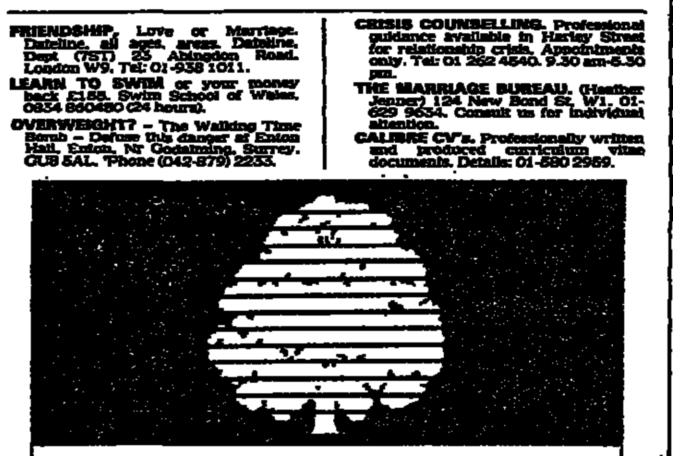

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BIRTHS

ANDREWS – On 29 October, to Francesca (nee Marsh) and Bowker – a son, Thomas.

BEARD/CORMACK – On 26 October to Mary Beard & Robin Cormack, a daughter, Zoe Troy Cormack.

BELL. On 13th October, to Patricia and Graham Andrew Robert, a son, Angus Andrew Robert, brother to Oliver Andrew.

BRISTOW – On October 19th, in Oxford, to Alison (née Cooper) and Charles – a son, Owain Stephen.

BUTTERS – On 26th October, to Shaan (Neé Akester) and Nigel Anthony, a son, Thomas Anthony.

COCKING – On 28th October, 1985, to Tim and Maggie (neé Ryder) a son, Thomas James.

COOPER. – On 28th October, to Sheila (née Ascroft) and Jim, a son – James Edward.

DAVIDSON. – On 23rd October in Harare, Zimbabwe, to Christine (née Bird) and Tim, a daughter, Kate Rebecca, a sister for Susannah, Jane and Lucy.

de PIRO d'AMICO INGUANEZ – At Gloucester General Hospital, on 28th October, to Nicholas and Ding, a welcome addition to the family and a brother for Cosmo, Clement and Louisa – Anton. Deo Gratias.

DORRICOTT – On 26th October at Humana Hospital, Wellington, NW8, to Jasmine (nee Sheppard) and Alan, a son, James William Geoffrey.

DULAKE. On the 19th of October to Robin and Tom – a son (Bartholemew) a brother for Thomas, George and Edward.

HARDY – On 27 October, to Linda and Adrian – a son (Adam James), a brother for Mark.

HARFORD. – On 22nd October, to Georgina and Ben – a son.

JONES. On 23rd October, at Queen Charlottes, to Lyn and Mike – a daughter (Francesca Jean) a sister for Joe and Charlie.

LERMAN. – On October 8th, 1985, to Kathy (née Coppock), and Tony, a son – Benjamin Alexander.

MANN – On 21st October, at Greenwich to Ellyn (née Rowlands) and Christopher – a son, Roderick Ashley Eldridge, a brother for Isabella.

PEARCE-HIGGINS. – On 29th October to Janet (née Herford) and Daniel, a daughter.

PETERS. On October 26th to Judith (née Cook) and Barry – a daughter (Laura Faye).

SHANAHAN. – On October 21st to Donal and Sue (née Strahan), a daughter, Elizabeth Anne, a sister for Jackie and Ruth.

WEBBER. – On October the 30th to Liz *(née Jeffery) and Mark – a son* (Oliver Jeffery Stuart).

BIRTHDAYS

ELLEN, Dance, write, travel, explore, believe. Happy Birthday, love George.

HAPPY, HAPPY, HAPPY, Birthday, Birthday, Birthday to wonderful Mike, from J.

DEATHS

BECQUET – On October 29th, 1985, peacefully in the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Gertrude Lilian, aged 74 years, of Barkham Road, Wokingham. Beloved wife of George, loving mother of Joan and Phyl and a much loved grandmother. Funeral service at Barkham Church, nr Wokingham, on Saturday November 2nd at 12 noon and St Saviours Parish Church, Jersey on Monday November 4th, at 12 noon. Family flowers only. Donations to Ken Thomas Scanner Appeal Fund, c/o A. B. Walker & Son Ltd, 36 Eldon Road, Reading.

BRAY, Robert George William – On October 30th, suddenly at home in Wandsworth, London. Dearly loved by all his family. Private cremation, family flowers only. Memorial service to be announced later.

CARROLL – On 24th October, Squadron Leader A. D. L. Dan Carroll, O.B.E., R.F.C. – R.A.F., aged 86. Funeral at Saffron Walden Catholic Church, at 11.30am, on 5th November. Family flowers only please. Donations to Save the Children Fund. RIP.

COUGHTRIE – On 29 October, 1985, Tom Coughtrie, CBE, LLD, JP, aged 90 years, beloved husband of the late Mary Wilson and dear father of George, Molly and Nancy. Funeral service in Crossford Parish Church tomorrow, Friday, 1 November at 12.45pm, thereafter to Daldowie Crematorium for 1.45pm. No flowers please.

DODD. – On 27th October, 1985, peacefully after a long illness, aged 62 yrs, Beverley, beloved husband of Elizabeth and father of Rosemary and Penny. Family flowers only. Donations to Radiotherapy Unit Support, St Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth.

DUNDAS-GRANT – On October 29th, peacefully, in hospital, James Harold (Jim) Commander RNVR (retired). Beloved husband of Kathye, greatly missed by his daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Cremation, private. Requiem to be announced later.

GALE on 28th October 1985, suddenly *at his home,* Jack *Ernest* aged 71 years, much loved husband of Joan, formerly of the Ministry of Defence. Cremation at Putney Vale Crematorium, Kingston Rd, SW15, on Tuesday 5th November at 2.30 p.m. Enquiries to Fredk W. Paine, 6 Coombe Lane, Raynes Pk, SW20. Tel: 01-946 1974.

GIBBS. – On October 28th, peacefully at the Manor House, Sutton Park, Guildford, Dorothy Gibbs, widow of Joe Gibbs, much loved mother and grandmother. Private cremation. Service of Thanksgiving, at All Souls, Bletchington, Oxford, at 12 noon, on Thursday, 7th November.

HARRIS (Leslie John). – On 28 October, Secretary at the Primary Club. Beloved husband of Joan, and father of Brian and Adrian. Funeral at Beckenham Crematorium on Wednesday, Nov 6, at 2.20. Donations, if desired, to cancer research.

HAYWARD. – On 28th October 1985, peacefully at The Devonshire Nursing Home, Eastbourne, Sussex, Reginald Jack Hayward C.B.E., F.C.A., in his 93rd year. Beloved husband of Dorothy and the late Eleanor and devoted father of Penelope and Roderick and grandfather of Katie, Andrew, Thomas, Ben, Edward and William. Funeral Service at St Johns Church, St Johns Road, Meads, Eastbourne, on Friday, 1st November, at 3.15pm, followed by cremation. Family flowers only please, but donations if wished, to: Parkinsons Disease Society, c/o Mr Lay, 3 Bolsover Court, Bolsover Road, Eastbourne or Band Aid, c/o Stoy Hayward, Chartered Accountants, 8 Baker Street, London W1.

KINZIE. – On October 24, 1985, in Weybridge Hospital, Rev Dr Norman Francis. Funeral in USA. Requiem Mass at 8pm, November 1, at St James Church, Weybridge, Surrey.

KNIGHT – On October 29, 1985, peacefully, Commander Gordon (Rocky) Vincent Knight, OBE, RN (retired), dearly loved husband of Lucile, and father of June, Wendy, and Roxana. Funeral service at Winchester Cathedral, on Monday November 4, at 10am. Enquiries and flowers or donations to the Association of Royal Navy Officers (ARNO), c/o John Steel & Son Ltd, 6 Chesil Street, Winchester.

LYNN. – On October 28th, 1985, suddenly but peacefully, Mary Lynn, beloved wife of Sam Lynn, of Grimshaw Hill, Ullenhall, nr Henley-in-Arden, Warwickshire. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Ullenhall, Warwickshire, on Monday, 4th November, at 12 noon. Funeral Directors: Thomas Bragg & Sons Ltd, 562 Stratford Road, Shirley, nr Solihull.

MANNING – On October 27th, 1985, at her home, in Reading, Esther Margaret (Meg), aged 89 years. Funeral service at St Giles Church, Reading, on Tuesday, November 5th, at 11am. Flowers (sprays only) to A. B. Walker & Son Ltd, 36 Eldon Rd, Reading.

MONKSWELL – On October 27th, peacefully at St Teresa's Home, Rowland Gardens, SW7, Widow of the third Lord Monkswell. Cremation private, no flowers.

PONTÉ. – On October 27th, 1985, peacefully at the American Hospital, Paris, after a brief illness, Léo, beloved husband of Rosie, devoted father of Alan, Anthony and Vivienne. Father-in-law of Jennifer and Roland, dearly loved grandfather of David, Gideon, Rebecca, Joshua, Luke, Joseph, Benjamin, Marcel, Oliver, Félicia, and Xavier. Beloved brother, brother-in-law and uncle of Simy, Solomon and Daniel. Funeral at the Spanish & Portuguese Jews' cemetery, Hoop Lane, Golders Green, NW11, on Friday, 1st November 1985, at noon. No flowers by tradition.

READ – On Tuesday the 29th of October, at Frenchay Hospital, Bristol, Frank Oxley Read, aged 88, formerly of Hythe, Kent. Husband of the late Marjorie Katherine. Cremation at Canford crematorium, Bristol, 12 noon, Monday the 4th, of November. Family flowers only.

RODOSLI – On the 29th October, peacefully at St Faiths Nursing Home, Cheltenham, Ines Rodosli, of Avening, aged 84. Funeral at Cheltenham Crematorium, on Tuesday, 5th November, at 3pm. Enquiries to W. S. Trenfield, Funeral Directors, Cheltenham. Tel: 0242 514187.

DEATHS

SAGRANI (Abnarain Partapsal). – On 26th October, 1985, peacefully at his home. Much loved husband of Savitri and beloved father of Mike, Jack, Kamla, Sheila and Sim. Cremation ceremony will take place at Golders Green Crematorium, 62 Hoop Lane, Golders Green NW11, on Thursday, 31st October, 1985, at 4pm. Prayers will be held on Saturday, 2nd November, 1985, at 4pm at The Temple, 62 Queensdale Road, Shepherds Bush.

SALTER. – On October 29th, peacefully in hospital, in Oxford, Jeanie, formerly of Watlington, Oxon, and Cheshire, widow of Steve (L.C.) Salter and father of Richard. Funeral service at St John's Chapel, Oxford Crematorium, Bayswater Road, Headington, at 11.30am on Monday, 4th Nov. There will be just one family flower arrangement. Donations, if desired, for the Sir Michael Sobell House, Churchill Hospital, Oxford.

THOMAS, STANLEY HERBERT, on 26th October 1985, of Fairhaven, The Avenue, Taunton, Somerset, aged 66 yrs, dearly loved husband of Margaret, devoted father of Caroline, Annabel, Rosemary, Elizabeth and her husband Frank, and loving grandfather of Nathan. Funeral service at St Georges Church, Wilton, Taunton, on October 30th at 12.45 followed by private cremation. Donations to Cancer Research.

THOMAS – On 29th October, 1985, peacefully, at her home, Barbara, beloved mother of Penelope and James. Funeral service on Monday, 4th November, at Emmanuel Church, Northwood, at 11am. Followed by interment in Northwood Cemetery.

WAUCHOPE. – On October 25th, 1985, peacefully at home, Beatrice, widow of Lance and much loved mother and grandmother. Cremation at Easthampstead Park Crematorium, Nine Mile Ride, Wokingham, Berkshire, at 2.30pm, Friday November 1. No flowers by request, but donations if desired to Arthritis Care, 6 Grosvenor Crescent, SW1.

ARNOLD EDWARD (Ted). – Suddenly, on October 27th, aged 79, of Lindfield, Sussex, husband of Mary, and father of Mike, Tim, Jod and Dave, who will all miss him greatly. Cremation at the Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Worth, on Monday, November 4th, at 3.15pm. No *flowers please.* Donations, if desired to Oxfam.

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BULMER a memorial service for Robert Harold Bulmer will be held at St Mary's Church Credenhill nr Hereford on Saturday, 30th November 1985 at 12 noon.

MAISON LUCIEN. – The Memorial Service for Lucien Maison who died peacefully on September 1st will be held at West Brook Hay, on Wednesday, November 6th at 3.30pm.

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SCREEN AT THE ELECTRIC 229 3694. Francis Ford Coppola & George Lucas present a film by Paul Schrader, **"MISHIMA"** (15) 1.40, 3.55, 6.20, 8.35 Fri/Sat 11.15. Dolby Stereo, music by Philip Glass. Seats bookable in advance.

SCREEN ON BAKER ST. 935 2772. (1) **DIM SUM** (U), 3.00, 5.00, 7.15, 9.15. (2) **DESPERATELY SEEKING SUSAN** (15) 2.05, 4.10, 6.30, 8.40. SAT 11.15.

SCREEN ON THE HILL 435 3366. Claude Chabrol's **COP AU VIN** (15) 2.20, 4.25, 6.45, 8.50. French dialogue, English subtitles.

EXHIBITIONS

34th *KENSINGTON ANTIQUES* FAIR, New Town Hall, Hornton Street, London W8. Opens Today 12-8. Then 11-8 daily (including Sunday) until 5th November. Final day 11-6. Tel: (01)-937 0063.

ART GALLERIES

AGNEW GALLERY 43 Old Bond St, W1, 629 6176. **THE MARQUESS OF CHOLMONDELEY'S COLLECTION OF MILITARY PICTURES, DRAWINGS AND PRINTS.** Until Nov 1. Mon-Fri 9.30-5.30; Thurs until 6.30.

AGNEW GALLERY, 43 Old Bond St, W1, 629 6176, Keith Vaughan – Drawings and Gouaches 1940-65. Until 8 Nov. Mon-Fri 9.30-5.30; Thurs until 6.30.

ANTHONY D'OFFAY, 9 & 23 Dering St, W1. Sculpture & Drawings. JOSEPH BEUYS: PLIGHT. 499 4100.

BARBICAN ART GALLERY, Barbican Centre, EC2. 01-638 4141. **GWEN JOHN** (Extended to Nov 10) and **RODERIC O'CONOR** (Until Nov 3) also small displays of Vera Cuningham and Matthew Smith. Tues-Sat 10-6.45, Sun & Hols 12-5.45. Closed Mondays, except Bank Hols. Admission £1.50 and 75p. Reduced rates for pre-booked parties. Lectures on 3 Nov: Tickets £1.

BRITISH MUSEUM, Great Russell St, WC1. The Acropolis at Athens. Mon-Sat 10-5, Sun 2.30-6. Adm free. Recorded info: 01-580 1788.

BRITISH MUSEUM/British Library. Great Russell St, WC1. Buddhism. Mon-Sat 10-5, Suns 2.30-6. Adm free.

BROWSE & DARBY, 19 Cork St, London W1. 734 7984. P W Steer. Loan Exhibition.

BURY STREET GALLERY 11 Bury St, SW1. 930 2902. Lyn Constable Maxwell. Sculptures. Oct 29th-Nov 2nd 10-5.

CHRISTOPHER WOOD GALLERY 15 Motcomb St, SW1, 01-235 9141. 2 Lady Illustrators. Elyse Lord & Kate Blackmore; photographs by Frank Meadow Sutcliffe.

COLNAGHI, 14 Old Bond St, W1 (491 7408), and Clarendon Gallery, 8 Vigo St, W1 (439 4557). An Exhibition of The Society Portraits 1850-1939. Until 12 Dec. Mon-Fri 10-5.30.

CONTEMPORARY ART SOCIETY MARKET, Smiths Galleries, 33 Shelton Street, Covent Garden WC2. Oct 30-Nov 2: 11-8pm daily. 500 works by living artists for sale between £50 & £500. Sponsored by Sainsbury's.

FISCHER FINE ART 30 King St, St James's, SW1. 839 3942. **DAVID TINDLE** – Recent Work. Until 22 Nov, and **From Expressionism to Dada and Neue Sachlichkeit – GERMAN ART 1905-1925.** Until 20 Dec Mon-Fri 10-5.30.

JPL FINE ARTS, 24 Davies Street, London W1, 01-493 2630. Maurice Denis 1870-1943 paintings & drawings until 12th Dec. Monday-Friday 10-5.30.

LEINSTER FINE ART 4th floor, 5 Clifford St, London W1, 01 437 4534. **BIRTH AND COPULATION AND DEATH,** Leo Zogmayer, recent works. Mon-Fri 10-6, Sat 10-2.

LUMLEY CAZALET 24 Davies St, W1. 499 5058. Exhibition of late 19 & 20th cent. master prints, also Matisse Drawings, until 15 Nov. Fully illust. Cat. £2.00.

PARKIN GALLERY 11 Motcomb St, London SW1. 01-235 8144. **FRIENDS:** Elsie Henderson 1880-1967 and Orovida Pissarro 1893-1968.

ROYAL ACADEMY, Piccadilly 01 734 9052. German Art in the Twentieth Century. Open daily 10-6 inc. Sun (reduced rate Sun until 1.45 pm). Adm. £3.20, £2 conc rate.

TATE GALLERY, Millbank SW1. **POUND'S ARTISTS.** Until 10 Nov **HOWARD HODGKIN:** Prints 1977-83. Until 1 Dec. **TURNER PRIZE DISPLAY** (Award 12 Nov). Until 8 Dec. **SCOTT BURTON.** Until 8 Dec. Adm free. Wkdays 10-5.50, Suns 2-5.50. Recorded info. 01-821 7128.

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W. H. PATTERSON 19 Albemarle Street, London W1X 3HA, 01-629 4119. Exhibition of paintings by Willem Dolphyn, leading Belgian painter of still life. October 30th-November 9th. Daily 9.40-6pm Sat 10-1pm.

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Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Davalle and Bob Williams

BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM.
6.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. News on the hour and half hour. Zoe Brown files her teenage report. Glynn Christian knocks up an early morning recipe and Richard Smith takes calls on medical problems on 01-811 1066.
9.20 Write Now! How to write a rapid note (Ceefax) *(r)*.
10.30 Play School presented by Brian Jameson. **10.50 Ceefax pages.**
12.30 News After Noon. News headlines with subtitles. **12.55 Regional News.**
1.00 Pebble Mill at One. The guests include Stephanie Lawrence and Dr David Delvin. Fashion writer Jane Lomas reviews the work of northern designer Jasmine *Hickson*.
1.45 Hokey Cokey. A *See-Saw* programme (r).
2.00 Championship Bowling. Quarter finals of the CIS Insurance UK Indoor Singles *Championship* from the Guild Hall, Preston.
3.00 Ceefax pages. 3.52 Regional news.
3.55 T.T.V. Stories, puzzles and cartoons with a scruffy cat called Scragtag who inhabits an untidy back yard behind a second hand furniture shop. New series.
4.10 SuperTed. Spotty and the *Indians (r)*.
4.15 Beat the Teacher with Paul Jones.
4.30 Cheggers Plays Pop with guests Gary Davies and Bernadette Nolan. Pop, *quizzes* and videos.
4.55 John Craven's Newsround.
5.05 Blue Peter. Janet Ellis throws herself bodily into a new parachute technique, *Accelerated Freefall. Also*, results of the NSPCC Christmas Card competition and the winners who'll be guests at the Children's Royal Variety Performance (Ceefax).
5.35 Masterteam. Team quiz with Angela Rippon.
6.00 Six O'Clock News followed by Weather News.
6.35 London Plus.
7.00 Top of the Pops introduced by Simon Bates and Janice Long.
7.30 EastEnders. Wicksy's first day working at The Queen Vic and Sharon has some tricks up her *sleeve. Lou enters into the* Halloween fun (Ceefax).
8.00 Tomorrow's World. The rival contenders to build a fixed cross-Channel link.
8.25 Happy Families. *Continuing* comedy of the Fuddle family written by Ben Elton and starring Jennifer Saunders as the grandmother and four grand-daughters. Tonight, it's *Madelaine, beautiful and* imbecilic inhabitant of an artistic community in France. Adrian Edmonson is the idiotic grandson on her trail. Rik Mayall declaims as the priest who wants a return to hell fire and brimstone – and burning dissenters. Nigel Planer plays a barman (Ceefax).
9.00 Nine O'Clock News.
9.25 Just Good Friends. *Penny* (Jan Francis) and Vince (Paul Nicholas) take the plunge and set up home together (Ceefax) (r).
9.55 Question Time. Scottish journalist Ruth Wishart makes her debut on the panel with Frances Morrell, leader of the Inner London Education Authority; Chris Patten, Conservative MP for Bath and David Penhaligon, Liberal MP for Truro.
10.55 Championship Bowling. The CIS Insurance UK Indoor Singles Championship. More quarter finals.
11.40 Anthony Burton travels on the "Clan Line" from York to Leeds, Harrogate and Knaresborough and visits the National Railway Museum at York. 12.05-12.10 *Weather*.

TV-am

6.15 Good Morning Britain with Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. Guests: Pamela Stephenson and Paul King. News on the hour *and half* hour. Pop video, 7.45. Specials: Grossman's Ghosts at 7.20 and 8.45. Reunions with Elaine Lipworth, 8.15. Jeni Barnett's Postbag.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames News headlines.
9.30 For Schools. 9.30 Stop, Look, Listen A (r). **9.42 Time For A Story** (r).
9.54 Good Health. How to look after teeth (r). **10.11 Picture Box** (r).
10.28 Your Living Body. Breathing (r). **10.45 Craft, Design and Technology 4.** Presenting a *Product* (r). **11.03 Seeing and Doing** (r). **11.20 Starting Science** (r). **11.37 How We Used to Live.** Unemployment (r).
12.00 The Giddy Game Show. *Preview of Children's ITV.*
12.10 Puddle Lane based on the books by Sheila McCullagh.
12.30 The Sullivans. Norm takes charge of Dawn Force.
1.00 *News at One. 1.20* **Thames News.**
1.30 Falcon Crest. Trouble brews for Melissa and Cole, while Lance is tried for attempted murder.
2.25 Home Cookery Club. Lemon Cream Dessert.
2.30 Daytime. Studio discussion about motorway madness.
3.00 Take the High Road. The Ramsay household is far from happy, while Fiona has financial problems.
3.25 Thames News headlines.
3.30 Sons and Daughters. Australian family drama with the Hamiltons and Palmers.
4.00 *Children's ITV* presented by Stu Francis. **The Giddy Game Show. 4.10 Doris.** Charley's Magic Planet (r). **4.20 Scooby Doo.** Cartoons. **4.45 Them and Us.** Series about young people at odds with the law.
5.15 Thames Sport. Interview with the Wimbledon champion Boris Becker.
5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News.
6.25 Help! The Crystal Palace Foundation needs volunteers to restore the once beautiful terraces and surrounding land *at Penge, site of the Crystal* Palace and gardens which burnt down in 1936,
6.35 Crossroads. An important lunch for Benny.
7.00 Emmerdale Farm. Violent crime arrives in Beckindale.
7.30 Give Us A Clue. Michael Aspel presents the game of charades with Lionel Blair, Una Stubbs, Cheryl Baker, Julia McKenzie, Mike Nolan, Ian Ogilvy, Sarah Payne and Gary Wilmot.
8.00 Up the Elephant and Round the Castle. Lisa (Marina Sirtis) is not welcome at the Freemasons Arms, but finds a hospitable host in Jim (Jim Davidson).
8.30 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer. Mike Hammer's life *is on line after an appointment* with an investigative reporter provides him with an introduction to a corpse. Lindsay Bloom is Velda.
9.30 TV Eye. The sale of complete council estates.
10.00 News at Ten followed by **Thames News Headlines.**
10.30 The Beguiled. Clint Eastwood is the wounded Union soldier who *during the last dark days* of the US Civil War hides out in a Confederate ladies' school. He arouses violent passions in the sexually frustrated women teachers (including Geraldine Page). Directed in melodramatic style in 1970 by Don Siegel.
12.25 Night Thoughts with Deaconess Anne Jennings followed by Closedown.

Griff Rhys Jones and Mel Smith BBC2, 9.00 pm

CHOICE

● *As propaganda for the anti-booze campaign*, Karl Francis's **THE HAPPY ALCOHOLIC** (Channel 4, 9.30pm) does for the 1980s what Billy Wilder's *The Lost Weekend* did for the 1940s. But, compared to what Dafydd Hywel's drunken Welsh miner goes through in Mr Francis's film, Ray Milland's dipsomaniac scribbler was a mere tippler. I think I should warn you about *The Happy Alchoholic*. Its depiction of the physical degradation that alcohol addiction can bring is often explicit to the point of being nauseating. That, presumably, was the object of the exercise. You won't find any jokes about drinks in this film. Instead, we *get a detailed examination of the* disordered state of mind of those who, casting around for excuses for their alcoholic dementia, blame everything except the addiction itself. The cure can begin only when the victim lets go of the words: "I am an alcoholic." Those words tonight are spoken in Welsh, and so is the rest of the dialogue. The sub-titles, *in English, are plentiful and helpful.*

● **JOHNNY ODDBALL** (BBC 2, 9.30pm) updates a remarkable film about a boy arsonist that was screened a decade ago. In the interim, Michael Cooper has graduated from dangerous tricks with matches to harmless tricks with a conjuror's silk handkerchiefs. The lad could explain his fires with a cool logicality that was chillingly adult. The man, even after years of *psychiatric treatment, can only* account for his present disorientation by talking vaguely about having a subconscious hatred of "the system", and blaming his parents for their lack of responsibility. Philippa Walker has made a disturbing film about the long shadow that the past can throw over the future.

● Shaun Prendergast's **A FINE AND PRIVATE PLACE** (Radio 4, 3.00pm) is set in a repellent home *for old people that is no better or* worse than the woman who runs it. For the sake of any aged persons whose families are contemplating committing them to the care of such establishments without first checking on their qualifications, I hope this is a work of pure fiction. I have an uneasy feeling, however, that Mr Prendergast has done his homework well. He certainly sounds to me as if he knows his way around the recesses of the OAP's mind.

● A must for Mozartians on Radio 3 tonight (7.45 and 8.55): Mitsuko Uchida playing two piano concertos with the English Chamber Orchestra, the Nos 18 and 19.

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

9.00 Ceefax pages.
9.36 Daytime on Two. 9.36 Maths Counts. Orders is Orders (r).
9.58 Thinkabout. Noodles in the Air (r). **10.15 Science Workshop.** Fabrics (A) (r). **10.38 Exploring Science.** Forces and Movement (r).
11.00 Near and Far. Yesterday's Street Today. Urban demolition *(r)*.
11.22 The Bible Lands. 3: The Ministry of Christ (r). **11.45** *Advanced Level Studies:* English. Jane Austen. Letters to her niece, presented by Fay Weldon (r). **12.05 Buongiorno Italia!** Italian for beginners. 5: Rivediamo un po' . . . (r). **12.30 Hold Down a Chord.** Learning folk guitar with John Pearse (r). **12.45 Wheels of Fire.** Development issues in India (r). **1.20 Des le debut.** Learning French (r). **1.38 Around Scotland.** Music All Around You. **2.00 You and Me.** Series for 4 to 5-year-olds (r). **2.15 Music Time.** The Sound of Words *(r)*. **2.40 History File.** Stalin and the Modernisation of Russia (r).
3.00 Championship Bowling. Quarter finals of the CIS Insurance UK Indoor Singles Championship.
5.30 The Journey. Pilgrim's Way, *which starts in Winchester and* ends in Canterbury, was once thick with pilgrims. Dennis Skillicorn and playwright Peter Terson joined the trail in a gypsy wagon (r).
6.00 Star Trek. A civil war disrupts Captain Kirk's mission to Capella IV to negotiate a mineral treaty (r).
6.50 Voyage of the Heroes. Tim Severin's latterday heroes, who have rowed 650 miles, face their sternest test – 16 turbulent miles of the Bosphorus with its treacherous currents. Jason *and the Argonauts never had* to contend with container ships . . .
7.30 Cartoon Two. The Metamorphosis of Mr Samsa.
7.40 Taste of Health. Michael Quinn, former head chef at the Ritz, throws a party for all the chefs in the series.
8.05 Brass Tacks. A Fair Degree of Force? In 1981 chief *constables drew up a new* secret manual for dealing with public disorder. In March, hundreds of demonstrating Manchester students found themselves on the receiving *end of that paramilitary policy.* Gerry Northam investigates.
9.00 Alas Smith and Jones. Mel Smith and Griff Rhys Jones return with a new six-week series of wickedly funny jokes, sketches and duologues.
9.30 40 Minutes. Johnny Oddball (see Choice).
10.10 Tender is the Night. Final episode of Scott FitzGerald's *harrowing saga of Dick and* Nicole Diver. Starring Peter Strauss and Mary Steenburgen (Ceefax).
11.05 Newsnight. 11.50-12.00. Weatherview.

CHANNEL 4

2.30 Holiday Camp*. Comedy drama about the Huggett *family – bus driver father* (Jack Warner), mother (Kathleen Harrison), war-widowed daughter (Hazel Court) and teenage son (Peter Hammond) – at a large post-war holiday *camp. Warner and Harrison* recreated the roles in three more films, as well as on television and radio. Dennis Price appears as a bogus squadron leader and Flora *Robson as a kindly spinster.*
4.15 Snowdrift at Bleath Gill*. British Rail film about a freight train snowbound in the Westmoreland Hills.
4.30 Countdown. Sales *representative Michael* Spencer, from East Grinstead, is the challenger in the words and numbers game.
5.00 The Guinea Pig*. Boulting Brothers film illustrating the class divide in education. Richard Attenborough plays the son of a Walthamstow tobacconist sent to Saintbury public school as an *educational experiment.* His use of the then taboo word "arse" brought much publicity to the film.
6.50 John Betjeman Goes by Train* from King's Lynn to Wolferton, the station for Sandringham, to Snettisham and then to Hunstanton.
7.00 Channel 4 News.
7.50 Comment from Councillor Hazel Bradford.
8.00 The People Trade. The Mexican migrant workers in the United States who sought the promised land.
8.30 The Booker Prize. Melvyn Bragg and Hermione Lee introduce live coverage of the award from the Old Library, Guildhall, London. The work of the six contenders is discussed by Germaine Greer, John Carey and Paul Theroux.
9.30 The Happy Alcoholic (see Choice).
11.35 Pottery Ladies. The life and work of Clarice Cliff, one of Stoke-on-Trent's most *illustrious pottery designers of* the 1920s.
12.00 Fairly Secret Army. Geoffrey Palmer leads the comedy as Harry Wellington Truscott, Major, Queen's Own West Mercian Lowlanders, retired. Written by David Nobbs (r). 12.30 Close.

Richard Attenborough: The Guinea Pig, at 5.00pm

Radio 4

On long wave. † also VHF stereo.
5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing: Weather. 6.10 Farming. 6.25 Prayer.†
6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. *8.57 Weather; Travel.*
9.00 News.
9.05 The Living World. Peter France on the female hyena.
9.35 In Business. Peter Smith with topical views and stories from shopfloors and boardrooms *across the country.*
10.00 News; The Witch Report. Jenny Cuffe investigates the traditional image of witches. Contributors include Roald Dahl and Lady Antonia Fraser.
10.30 Morning Story: The Arithmetic of Success. *Written and read by* Sam McAughtry.
10.45 Daily Service.†
11.00 News; Travel. Kill or Cure? Roger Cook investigates allegations that some transnational drug companies are endangering world health (r).
11.48 The Labours of Hercules. Vincent Kane follows Hercules's adventures in Britain in the summer of 1985.
12.00 News; You and Yours, presented by Pattie Coldwell.
12.27 My Music. Steve Race chairs the panel game. With John Amis, Frank Muir, Ian Wallace and Denis Norden. 12.55 Weather.†
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Includes a feature about a new organization called BACUP, which provides a advice for cancer victims and their families. Also, episode six of The Bonsai Tree, read by Heather Bell.
3.00 *The Afternoon Play: A Fine and* Private Place, by Shaun Prendergast. With Anne Jameson and Shelagh Stephenson. Drama, set in an old folks' home (see Choice).†
4.00 News.
4.05 Bookshelf. Kate Fenton visits the wonderland of children's books past and present and talks to author Roald Dahl.
4.35 *Kaleidoscope. Arts magazine.* Includes comment on John Boorman's new film The Emerald Forest and an interview with Boorman himself (r).
5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping. 5.55 Weather.
6.00 News; *Financial Report.*
6.30 Round Britain Quiz (r).
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Any Answers? John Timpson with listeners' responses to last week's Any Questions?
7.40 *Abuse of Trust.* Jenni Mills presents a documentary and phone-in on child sexual abuse (01-580 4411 from 7.00 pm). Also in the studio are Dr Arnold Bentovim and Richard Johnson.
9.00 Does He Take Sugar? Magazine *of special interest to disabled* listeners and their families.
9.30 John Ebdon in the BBC Sound Archives.
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Paul Vaughan presents the arts magazine. Includes comment on a new book about the photographer Robert Capa.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou abridged in ten parts (9).
10.30 The World Tonight.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Hear All About It. A "talking" newspaper.
12.00 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping. VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 9.05-10.45 For Schools: 9.05 Noticeboard. 9.10 A Service for Schools. 9.30 Secondary English 11-14. 9.50 First Steps in Drama.† 10.10 Playtime. 10.25 Maths with a Story! 11.00-12.00 For Schools: 11.00 Noticeboard. 11.05 In the *News. 11.30 Wavelength.*† 1.55-3.00pm For Schools: 1.55 Listening Corner. 2.05 The Song Tree. 2.20 Living Language. 2.40 Newscast. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued).

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.
7.05 Morning Concert: Walton's Scapino (LSO); Bruch's Konzertstuck (Accardo, violin and Leipzig Gewandhaus); Mendelssohn's Konzertstuck No 1, Op 113 (Meyer, clarinet Wolfgang Meyer, basset horn/Wurttemberg CO); Sibelius's Karelia Suite (Berlin PO).† 8.00 News.
8.05 *Morning Concert (contd):* Grétry's La Magnifique (ECO); Satie's Trois morceaux en forme de Poire (Ciccolini, piano); Ibert's Concertino da camera for alto saxophone and 11 instruments (Rousseau, sax and Paul Kuentz CO); Smetana's symphonic poem Haakon Jarl (Bavarian Radio SO).† 9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer: Tchaikovsky. Variations on a rococo theme, original version (Wallfisch, cello and ECO); Grand Sonata in G, Op 37 (Crossley, piano).†
10.00 Weber: Vienna PO under Horst Stein play the overture Euryanthe, and the Symphony No 1 in C.†
10.45 Danish and German Fantasies: Stephen Bennett (clarinet) and *Joyce Riddell (piano). Niels* Gade's Fantasy Pieces, Op 43; Schumann's Fantasy Pieces Op 73; August Winding's Fantasy Pieces, Op 19.†
11.30 Six Continents: Ian McDougall with foreign radio broadcasts *monitored by the BBC (r).*
11.50 BBC Scottish SO (under Owain Arwel Hughes). Walton's Johannesburg Festival Overture; Alun Hoddinott's Landscapes; Glazunov's Symphony No 5.† 1.00 News.
1.05 Birmingham Lunchtime Concert: Delmé String Quartet play Dvorak's Quartet in G, Op 106; and Waltzes from Op 54.†
2.00 Demophoön. Opera by Cherubini. Sung in French. Gianluigi Gelmetti conducts the Italian *Radio SO of Rome, with soloists* including Silvano Carroli (in the title role); Hakan Hagegard (Astor) and Linda Kelm (Dircee). Act one. The second act can be heard at 3.00 and Act 3 at 3.50.†
4.40 Bach: Ruth Dyson (harpsichord) *plays the Suite in A minor, BWV* 818.† 4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: recorded music selection, presented by Michael Berkeley.†
6.30 Bandstand: British Aerospace Wingates Band. Peter Yorke's *overture The Explorers; Joseph* Horovitz's Concertino Classico; and Bliss's Belmont Variations.†
7.00 The Road to Canterbury: Martin Jarvis plays the Nun's Priest in David Wright's verse translation of Chaucer's The Canterbury Tales. With John Franklyn-Robbins as the narrator.
7.25 Hindemith: Nobuko Imai (viola) plays the Sonata, Op 25 No 1.†
7.45 English Chamber Orchestra (under Uchida, piano). Part one. Mozart's Piano Concerto No 18; and Gounod's Petite symphonie.†
8.35 The Composer's Voice: Nigel Anthony plays Rutland Boughton in readings from his autobiographical writings.
8.55 *Concert: part two. Mozart's Piano* Concerto No 19.†
9.30 Margot. Peter Jeffrey reads Courteline's story.
10.00 Music in Our Time: percussion ensemble music played by Lontano. Guezec's Onze por *cinq; Ohana's Signes; and James* Dillon's East 11th Street NY 10003.†
11.05 Bach on Record: choral music. The Cantatas Nos 61 and 36 (with soloists Auger, Schreier and Theo Adam/Choir of St Thomas's, Leipzig and New Bach Collegium of Leipzig).†
11.57 News. Until 12.00.

Radio 2

News on the hour. Headlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30. Sports Desk 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (MF only) 9.55. 4.00am Colin Berry.† 6.00 Martin Kelner.† 8.05 Ken Bruce.† 10.30 Jimmy Young. Food information from Tony De Angeli. 1.05pm David Jacobs.† 2.00 Gloria Hunniford.† 3.30 Music All The Way. 4.00 David Hamilton.† 6.00 John Dunn.† 8.00 Wally Whyton introduces Country Club (featuring Steve Wariner and Kathy Mattea). 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The News Huddlines. With Roy Hudd, Chris Emmett, Alison Steadman and The Huddliners. 10.30 Star Sound Extra. The movie scene. 11.00 Bill Rennells presents Nightride.† 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music.†

Radio 1

News on the half hour from 6.30am until 8.30pm and at 12 midnight. 6.00am Adrian John. 7.30 Mike Read. 9.30 Simon Bates. 12.30pm Newsbeat (Janet Trewin). 12.45 Gary Davies. 3.00 Paul Jordan. 5.30 Newsbeat (Janet Trewin). 5.45 Bruno Brooks. 7.30 Janice Long. *John Walters reviews this week's music* press. 10.00-12.00 Andy Kershaw. VHF Radios 1 & 2: 4.00am As Radio 2. 10.00pm As Radio 1. 12.00-4.00 As Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk. 7.00 News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 Keep it in the Family. 7.45 Network UK. 8.00 News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Country Style. 8.30 John Peel. 9.00 News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Monitor. 10.00 News. 10.01 Hubert Gregg Remember. 10.30 Two Cheers For October. 11.00 News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 New Ideas. 11.15 A Letter from England. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Top Twenty. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 Network UK. 1.45 The Brotherhood Of Brass. 2.00 Outlook. 2.45 The *Best of Folk.* 3.00 *Radio Newsreel.* 3.15 The Pleasure's Yours. 4.00 News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Assignment. 4.45 The World Today. 5.00 News. 5.09 A Letter from England. 8.00 News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 9.15 A Jolly Good Show. 10.00 News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 A Letter from England. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Merchant Navy Programme. 11.30 Nature Notebook. 12.00 News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Music Now. 1.00 News. 1.01 Outlook. 1.30 Brotherhood of Brass. 1.45 Book Choice. 1.50 In the Meantime. 2.00 News. 2.09 *Review of the British Press.* 2.15 Development '85. 3.00 News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 Business Matters. 4.00 Newsdesk. 4.30 Country Style. 5.45 The World Today.

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BBC1 Wales 9.30-9.55am Masterteam. 9.55-10.30 Pages from Ceefax. 5.35-6.00pm Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 Don't Break Your Heart. 11.40-12.10am Film 85. 12.10-12.35 The Past at Work. 12.35-12.40 News of Wales. **Scotland:** 1.20-10.30am Dotaman. 6.35-7.00pm Reporting Scotland. 8.00-8.25 The Thursday File. 11.40-12.30am Everyman: Wozza Albert! 12.30-12.35 Scottish News Headlines and Weather; Close. **Northern Ireland:** 5.35-5.40pm Today's Sport. 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster. 6.35-7.00 *Masterteam. 8.25-9.00 Spotlight.* 12.05-12.10am Northern Ireland News Headlines and Weather; Close. **England:** 6.35-7.00pm Regional news magazine.

S4C Starts: 1.00pm Countdown. 1.30 Alice. 2.00 Ffenestri. 2.20 Ffalabalam. 2.35 Hyn o Fyd Gwyr Llen. 2.55 Interval. 3.10 Scottish Fiddle Orchestra in Concert. 3.40 Years Ahead. 4.20 4 What It's Worth. 4.50 Hanner Awr Fwy. 5.30 Love Affair with Nature. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Dibendraw. 7.00 *Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Bwrlwm Bro.* 8.30 Dinas. 9.00 Hill Street Blues. 9.55 Happy Alcoholic. 11.55 Booker Prize. 12.55am Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30-2.30 Carson's Law. 5.15-5.45 Beverly Hillbillies* 6.00 *Channel Report.* 6.15 Video Club. 6.30 Crossroads. 6.55-7.30 Home Cookery. 8.30-9.30 Kojak. 10.35 Vincent Price's Halloween Thriller. 11.30 Hawaii Five-O. 12.25am Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

HTV WEST As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30-2.30 Country Practice. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00-6.35 News. 8.30-9.30 Magnum. 10.30 Weekend Outlook. 10.35 West This Week. 11.05 The Master. 12.05am Rock of the Seventies. 12.35 Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 9.30am-10.09 Schools. 10.11-10.26 About Wales. 6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six. 10.30-11.05 Wales This Week.

TYNE TEES As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30-2.30 Man in a Suitcase. 5.15-5.45 *Blockbusters. 6.00-6.35 Northern Life.* 8.00 Falcon Crest. 9.00-9.30 Up the Elephant. 10.32 The Works. 11.10 No Problem! 11.40 Let Music Talk . . . ; Closedown.

TVS As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Home Cookery. 1.35-2.30 Falcon Crest. 3.30-4.00 Crosswits. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast. 10.30 Kojak. 11.30 Regrets? 12.00 Teachers Only. 12.30am Company. Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30-2.30 Falcon Crest. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00-6.35 About Anglia. 7.00-7.30 Benson. 10.30 Second Revolution. 11.15 The Master. 12.15am Thursday Topic, Closedown.

TSW As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30-2.30 Carson's Law. 5.15 Gus Honeybun. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 Gardens for All. 8.30-9.30 Kojak. 10.35 Vincent Price's Halloween Thriller. 11.30 Hawaii Five-O. 12.25am Postscript. Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 *Calendar Lunchtime Live.* 1.20 Calendar. 1.30-2.30 Carson's Law. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00-6.35 Calender. 8.00 Magnum. 9.00-9.30 Up the Elephant. 10.30 V. 11.30 Fight Night. 12.30am Closedown.

CENTRAL *As London except:* 12.25pm European Folk Tales. 12.40-1.00 Contact. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.30 Man in a Suitcase. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 News. 8.00 Falcon Crest. 9.00-9.30 Up the Elephant. 10.30 Central Lobby. 11.00 No Problem! *11.30 Fight Night.* 12.30am Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Bodyline. 1.35-2.30 Quincy. 3.00-4.00 Irish RM. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00-6.35 News and Scotland Today. 7.00-7.30 Take the High Road. 8.00 Falcon Crest. 9.00-9.30 Up The Elephant. 10.30 Crime Desk. 10.35 Magnum. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35 Scotsport. 12.20am Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 1.20pm Lunchtime. 1.30-2.30 Champions. 3.30-4.00 Survival of The Fittest. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 6.25-6.35 Police Six. 8.00 Magnum. 9.00-9.30 Up The Elephant. 10.30 Counterpoint. 11.00 Yellow Rose. 11.55 News, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30-2.30 Counrty Practice. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00 This Is Your Right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30-7.00 *Granada Reports.* 8.00 Magnum. 9.00-9.30 Up The Elephant. 10.30 New Avengers. 11.30 Fight Night. 12.30am Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30-2.30 New Avengers. 3.00 Nothing but the Best. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00-6.35 Lookaround. 8.00 Magnum. 9.00-9.30 Up the Elephant. 10.30 Richard Clayderman. 11.00 The Master. 12.00 News, Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30-2.30 Love Boat. 5.15-5.45 Blockbusters. 6.00-6.35 North Tonight. 7.00-7.30 All Kinds of Country. 10.30 Party with The Rovers. 11.00 Canna – An Island's Story. 11.30 News. 11.35 Scotsport Special. 12.20am Closedown.

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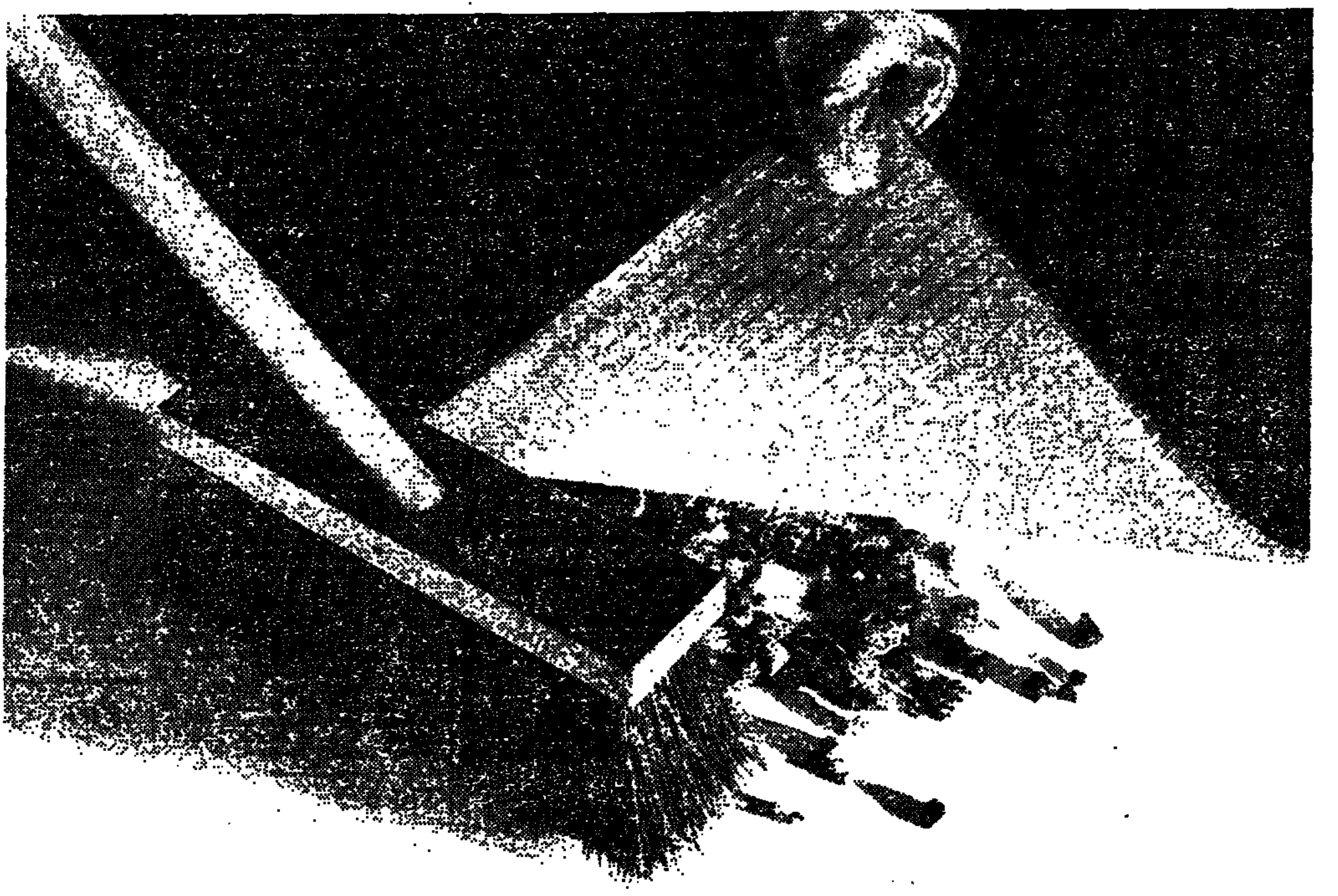

Just how do they dispose of nuclear waste?

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It is a powerful drama which investigates the conflicting interests of nuclear power, defence and environmentalism.

The intriguing background to the series (featuring the connection between a Greek goddess and billions of termites), is disclosed in today's issue of Radio Times.

Out Now. Radio Times

Unionists want ballot veto on Ulster deal

By Philip Webster and Richard Ford

Ulster Unionist leaders told the Prime Minister yesterday that the people of Northern Ireland should have a veto on any agreement reached between the British and Irish governments over the future of the province.

Mr James Molyneaux, leader of te Official Unionist Party, and the Rev Ian Paisley, of the Democratic Unionist Party, warned Mrs Margaret Thatcher and Mr Tom King, Secretay of State for Northern Ireland, at a Downing Street meeting that they could not accept a deal that allowed the Dublin Government to have a say in the running of Northern Ireland.

The two leaders also alerted them to the risk of more violence if the views put to the Government by them as elected representatives were brushed aside.

With the discussions between the British and Irish governments in their final stages, but the details of a deal still to be ratified by both Cabinets, yesterday's hour-long discussion would have served as a stark reminder to the Government of the difficulties of "selling" any agreement to the Unionist population.

Mr King said afterwards that he and the Prime Minister had underlined that any agreement would in no way affect the sovereignty of Northern Ireland as part of the United Kingdom, and denied that the meeting had in any way obstructed the prospect of an agreement.

When asked whether there might be a violent Protestant backlash if the proposals went ahead, Mr King said there was nothing in the agreement that would justify the sort of backlash or concerns that some had expressed.

Mr Paisley told a Press conference at Westminster that the leaders had told Mrs Thatcher that there were only two roads for Northern Ireland, democracy or the road to anarchy. "We made it clear that if she is not prepared to go along the democratic road she will be talking to people who are not elected representatives, and that would be a very serious thing indeed. We said let the ballot speak before the bomb and bullet speak."

The leaders said that any agreement should be put to the people of Northern Ireland for endorsement in a referendum or an election. Mr Paisley said: "We are asking for the people of Northern Ireland to have a veto."

Behind yesterday's meeting was the anger of the Unionist leaders that they have not been as well-briefed by the Government on the course of the Anglo-Irish talks as the Dublin Government has briefed Catholic leaders in Northern Ireland.

In a statement yesterday they said: "In such an atmosphere of secrecy Unionists can hardly be criticized. for conluding that whatever has to be kept under such close wraps until after the deal has been struck must be profoundly damaging to Unionism."

Throughout the press conference both Unionist leaders maintained an uncharacteristically subdued manner.

Unionist leaders have decided on a cautious strategy in the event of any agreement being signed. That is based on two considerations: they cannot gauge what the reaction of Unionist opinion will be, and they are nervous of Mrs Thatcher's likely reaction to any direct challenge on the streets.

They fear she would turn it into a law and order issue and respond accordingly while allowing Unionist "loyalty" to be held up for contempt and derision throughout the rest of the United Kingdom.

The "loyalist paramilitaries are already making it clear that they are not prepared to be used by politicians. But even so, there is doubt over their capacity to wage an intensive campaign.

That does not mean there will not be displays of men in masks and individual acts of violence by loyalist paramilitaries but the Royal Ulster Constabulary has more men with better training, discipline and equipment and the Government has almost certainly made contingency plans after the experiences of 1974 when an Ulster workers' strike toppled the power sharing executive.

Mr Paisley (left) and Mr Molyneaux speaking at yesterday's press conference held after their meeting with the Prime Minister (Photographs: John Voos).

Solicitors win right in monopoly battle

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contentious business committee, said that it was "delighted" with the news. But it would continue to support Mr Smith's appeal as that raised wider issues about the court's discretion to let solicitors appear.

This is all about keeping down the costs of litigation and enabling the consumerto have the advocate whom he or she wants, unfettered by restrictive practices, " he said.

Mr Robert Alexander, QC, accused the Law Society yesterday of seeking to obtain far wider rights of audience than ever envisaged by the Royal Commission, as a direct and "illogical" response to their loss of the conveyancing monopoly.

That response made "no pretence of being in the public interest", he said.

The Bar supported the Royal Commission proposal for solicitors to act in formal and unopposed proceedings, but it had never been suggested before now that the statement at the end of a libel action, the conclusion of a complex and delicate piece of litigation, fell into that category.

The legal profession faced important challenges, such as how to shorten trial procedures and make the law more accessible to all, and Mr Alexander urged the Law Society to join in tackling these, rather than "avidly" pursuing sectional interests.

Vauxhall threat

Workers at Vauxhall's new £85 million computerized car plant at Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, yesterday voted to strike if the company fails to honour an agreement on new investment.

Newts protected

Plans for four £100,000 homes due to be built on a new housing estate have been dropped to save a colony of great crested newts living in ponds on the site in Solihull, West Midlands.

Reagan set to offer SDI data

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the summit meeting, to Mr Gorbachov's recent proposals for cuts in nuclear arsenals, but warned it might not be ready in time.

President Reagan said he thought the most that could come out of the summit would be the elimination of some of the paranoia and suspicion that kept the Soviet Union and the West at odds. "If we can reduce those suspicions between our two countries the reduction of arms will easily follow because we will reduce the feeling that we need them," he said.

He confirmed that in testing SDI research, the US intended to stay "well within" the strict limits of the Anti-Ballistic Missile.

● **WASHINGTON:** President Reagan will today give an interview to four senior Soviet correspondents as part of his preparation for the Geneva summit (Michael Binyon writes). It will be the first presidential interview with the Soviet press since 1961.

Security tightened at centre in Cyprus

By Stewart Tendler
Crime Reporter

Five military internal security teams have visited Cyprus and the signals intelligence unit at the centre of the recent espionage trial in an effort to tighten up defences against leaks according to a military source.

Officials from government communications headquarters (GCHQ) are certain that there has been a leak of material from the 9 Signals Regiment even though the source of the leak has not been found.

Apart from the military security teams, joint investigations have been carried out by the Services, GCHQ and MI5 leading to new security measures. A lance corporal was court martialled, found guilty of an internal security breach and discharged. Five other personnel were dealt with by the regiment's commanding officer for discipline breaches.

In the Commons this week Mrs Margaret Thatcher disclosed that she called in the Security Commission last year to examine the situation in Cyprus. The commission expected to do further work and Lord Griffiths, the chairman, will see the Prime Minister to discuss whether the report should be issued.

An inquiry by Mr David Calcutt, QC, former chairman of the Bar, into allegations of ill-treatment by RAF police of the seven defendents acquitted in the espionage trial will start next week.

Yesterday, Mr Calcutt said he knew no more about the case than what he had read or seen in the newspapers and on television.

Mr Calcutt, aged 54, was a Department of Trade inspector in the inquiry into the Cornhill Consolidated group in 1977. He has been a member of many legal committees and is chairman of the Civil Service Arbitration Tribunal, a crown court recorder and a member of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board.

In Brussels at the end of a Nato meeting, Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, defended Britain's record on security but said: "Nobody in history has found a watertight system."

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Letter from Jaffna

Where reporters get a bad press

Foreign correspondents are not the most popular visitors in Sri Lanka. Blaming the messenger for the message is a widespread pastime in this warm and beautiful land, and correspondents are held in high disesteem because of the image that Sri Lanka has gained abroad as a result of the treatment of the minority Tamils by the majority Sinhalese.

In many ways, however, the Sri Lankan Government has only itself to blame. For example, the Ministry of State, the Government's information department, declines to talk to certain correspondents.

Fortunately other ministries are not so short-sighted, and though the Ministry of State requires correspondents to be given visas before they may be accredited, the Immigration Service will allow them into the country visa-less like visitors from many countries, even though they declare themselves to be journalists on business.

The Government then tries to prevent journalists from visiting the strife-torn northern and eastern provinces, since they can see with their own eyes and report the physical depredations wrought by the struggle. But now the trains run daily to Jaffna, and correspondents may arrive in the north without having to run the gauntlet of road blocks.

It may, however, have been foolish of me to declare quite so loudly where I was going. Someone at the Meridien Hotel tipped off the police and when I stood on the platform at Maradana station at six o'clock one morning to catch the train a suavely polite assistant superintendent of the National Intelligence Bureau introduced himself to me and invited me to accompany him to the famous fourth floor of the Criminal Investigation Department's building in the centre of town.

Mr Eric Perera and his CID colleague, Inspector A. N. S. Mendis, gently suggested that my being quite so angry would not help, though I wondered whether I was expected to be pleased. They said they had information that I was about to commit an offence under Section 26 of the Prevention of Terrorism Act.

They showed me the section headed "sedition and incitement". It covered such things as bringing the President or Government into hatred or contempt, inciting feelings of disaffection and stirring up the inhabitants of Sri Lanka to feelings of hostility or to acts of physical violence.

They kept me until the train left, bought me breakfast at the hotel and then just as they were leaving I was telephoned by the office of the Minister of National Security, who would like to see me. The minister, Mr Lalith Athulathmudali, who was president of the Oxford Union while I was a more humble student journalist on *Cherwell*, said that I could go, and Mr Perera was directed to write me a *laissez-passer*.

Just as well he did. Two Norwegian charity workers got on the train the next day at the holy city of Anuradhapura half-way to Jaffna, and a message to the military that there were *sudda* – white people – on board had the train stopped at Elephant Pass, the narrow causeway linking the Jaffna peninsula to the mainland.

We were taken off, and despite a cheery greeting from some of the other passengers, I was questioned in the guard house. Mr Perera's letter worked like a charm, and while the Norwegians were sent back to Colombo, I was allowed on the train and made it triumphantly to Jaffna station.

I was nervous about carrying Mr Perera's letter with me when I was being escorted around the town by guerrilla leaders swinging their automatic rifles. It was addressed from the National Intelligence Bureau Headquarters and began: "To whom it may concern. The bearer, Mr Michael Hamlyn is a good friend..."

Good friends of the Intelligence Bureau may not always be dealt with suavely or politely by the Marxist-Leninists in the north.

Michael Hamlyn

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother opens the restored Whitechapel Art Gallery, 3.30.

Princess Anne, President, the British Knitwear and Clothing Export Council, visits Chester Barrie, Crewe, 8.50; and then, as Patron, the Home Farm Trust, visits The Lydiate, South Wirral and opens their new house, 11.15; later, as Patron, the Townswomen's Guilds, she attends the Wirral Federation lunch at Birkenhead, Merseyside, 12.35; and then, as President, the Missions to Seamen, she attends the Maritime Dinner Dance, the Baltic Exchange, London, 8.

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, visits the Willows Day Care Centre, St Helier, 10.30; and then visits the St John Ambulance headquarters, St Helier, 11.10, later she attends a lunch given by the Bailiff of Jersey and the Presidents of the States Committees, St Helier, Jersey, 12.05.

The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior, The Order of St John, opens the Heritage Antiques Fair, Town Hall, Kensington, 10.35.

Last chance to see

Thomas de Quincey; The Wordsworth Museum, Townend, Grasmere, Ambleside, 10 to 4.30.

Paintings by Terry McCrossan; Maclaurin Art Gallery, Rozelle Park, Ayr, 11 to 5.

Edges – work by Leeds based group of women artists. Hidden Strength; Yorkshire Art Space, Matilda Street Gallery, Sheffield; 10 to 4.

A Policeman's Lot: A display from Manchester Police Museum; Towneley Hall Art Gallery, Burnley, Lancs, 10 to 5.15.

Gilbert Holiday; Guernsey Museum and Art Gallery, Cardie Gardens, St Peter Port, 10.30 to 5.30.

Exhibitions in progress

In the Making, fibreworks and handmade felted drawings by Rita Smith; Myles Meehan Gallery, Arts Centre, Vane Terrace, Darlington, Co. Durham; Mon to Sat 10 to 8, closed Sun (ends Nov 9).

Liberty, Terror and Virtue, work by Ian Hamilton Finlay; Towner Art Gallery, High Street, Old Town, Eastbourne, E Sussex; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Nov 3).

Music

Concert by the Hull Choral Union Orchestra: Judas Maccabeus; City Hall, Hull, 7.30.

Concert by the Medici String Quartet; Lancaster University, 7.30.

Recital by Timothy Hugh (cello) and Susan Tomes (piano); St George's, Brandon Hill, Bristol, 1.

Recital by Worcester Cathedral Choir and Donald Hunt; Parish Church, Leeds, 8.15.

Recital by Anthony Pleeth (baroque cello) and Robert Woolley (harpsichord); Kettle's Yard, Cambridge, 8.

Song recital by Colin Dove (baritone) and Stanley Wainwright Morgan (accompanist); The Arts Centre, Church St, Colchester, 8.

Concert by the English Sinfonia; Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds, 8.

Concert by the Arioso Quartet; work by Elgar and Tippett; Birmingham and Midland Institute, Margaret St, Birmingham, 1.

Harpischord recital by David Ponsford; Solihull Library Theatre, 1.

Organ recital by Stephen Darlington; Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, 8.

Recital by Melanie Armistead (soprano) and Linda Ang (piano); Royal Exchange Theatre, St Anne's Sq, Manchester, 1.

Talks, lectures, films

The first twenty years of oil and gas development offshore UK, by Prof Tom Patten; Mountbatten Building, Heriot-Watt University, Grassmarket, Edinburgh, 5.45.

Claude and Poussin: the French vision in Rome, by Luke Herrmann; Lecture Theatre, 1, Attenborough Building, Leicester University, 5.15.

Intention and creativity, by Dr Cyril Barratt; Queen's Building, Exeter University, 4.30.

Problems and balance and bias in television news, by J E T Eldridge; Curtis Auditorium, School of Physics, Newcastle University, 5.30.

Hungarian Arts in Glasgow: *Experimental films (1980-85) from Studio Béla Balazs* (film); Scottish Council for Educational Technology, 74 Victoria Crescent Rd, Glasgow, 7.30.

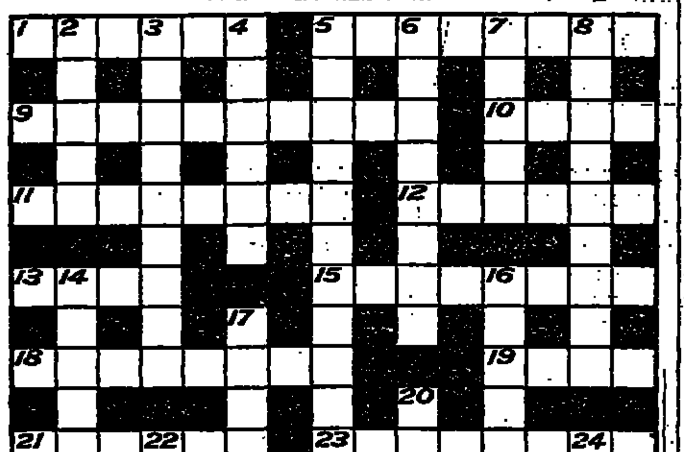
General

Belfast Telegraph charity fireworks display; Ravenhill Rugby Football Grounds, Ravenhill Park, Belfast, 7.30.

Newcastle Literary Festival: Kurt Vonnegut – launching his latest book; Royal Station Hotel, Neville St, Newcastle upon Tyne, 7.30.

Hungarian Arts in Glasgow: poetry reading – Ottó Orbán and Szaboks Várady read from their work in English and Hungarian; 350 Sauchiehall St, Glasgow, 7.30.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,882



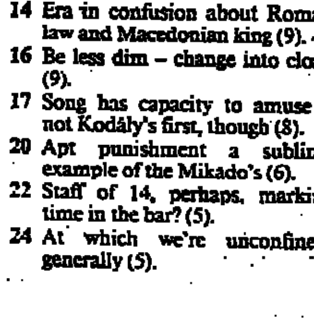
ACROSS

1 Old William's title of respect for a portly woman? (6).
5 Dashing fellows eager to finish game with this (8).
9 Plant run in secluded place (10).
10 Many a wife thus described was statuesque (4).
11 Interrupt endlessly, perhaps, having lewd thoughts (8).
12 A Russian river one's identified with beauty (6).
13 Clan's head man backing one of our members (4).
15 The Italian cheat always about to become a sinner (4-4).
18 Bias writer against church worker (8).
19 Long ribbon found in the contessa's handbag (4).
21 A poor performer has to talk at length (6).
23 Rum label designed to avert downfall (8).
25 A French saying or passage (4).
26 Stand for musicians in Kent (10).
27 Loftiness of old city after danger is dispelled (8).
28 Bit of bad luck about ambassador's papers (6).

DOWN

2 Affair of one of Othello's people, say (5).
3 Half-honest opening almost implying respect (9).
4 Wave to the canary (6).
5 Policeman collects weapon on way to smuggler (3,6,6).
6 Bear loses right to represent 25 as a supporter (8).
7 Bad excuse for a round of applause (5).
8 Unfashionable drinks, we hear, for the laity (9).
14 Era in confusion about Roman law and Macedonian king (9).
16 Be less dim – change into cloak (9).
17 Song has capacity to amuse – not Kodály's first, though (8).
20 Apt punishment a sublime example of the Mikado's (6).
22 Staff of 14, perhaps, marking time in the bar? (5).
24 At which we're unconfined, generally (5).

Solution of Puzzle No 16,881



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Airmail delay

Industrial action by postmen in Sydney, Australia is now over. However, airmail destined for New South Wales will be subject to delay for the next few weeks while the backlog is being cleared. The datapost service to New South Wales and Queensland has now been restored.

New books – paperback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:

FICTION

According to Mark, by Penelope Lively (Penguin, £2.50)
Poor Lazarus, by Maurice Leitch (Blackstaff, £3.95)
September Castle, by Simon Raven (Grafton, £2.50)
Stars and Bars, by William Boyd (Penguin, £2.95)

NON-FICTION

Civilization and Capitalism, 15th-18th Century, by Fernand Braudel, translated by Sian Reynolds (Fontana, three volumes, £9.95 each)
David Low, by Colin Seymour-Ure and Jim Schoff (Secker & Warburg, £9.95)
Disraeli, by Sarah Bradford (Grafton, £4.95)
Fourth-Rate Estate, An Anatomy of Fleet Street, by Tom Baistow (Comedia, £3.95)
The Penguin Book of Limericks, compiled and edited by E. O. Parrott (Penguin, £2.50)
The Port of Roman London, by Gustav Milne (Batsford, £9.95)

PH

Roads

Wales and West: M5: Only one lane southbound between junctions 25 and 26, Taunton to Wellington; roadworks including weekends. **A31:** Roadworks between Ringwood and Wimborne, on West Moors Rd, Ferndown, Dorset. **A40:** Temporary lights at North Leach bypass, Glos, between Cheltenham and Burford.

The North: A56: Northbound carriageway restrictions on Chester Rd, Stretford, Greater Manchester; British Telecom work between Derbyshire Lane and Davyhulme Road east. **M63/M62/M602:** Eccles interchange, Greater Manchester – lane restrictions N of Barton Bridge; no access from M63 northbond to M62 westbound. **A1085:** Traffic restriction on Tees Newport Bridge (Cleveland): no westbound access from junction of Newport Bridge approach road to Newport roundabout; diversions.

Scotland: A82: Great Western Rd, Glasgow city, closed: burst water main just W of St Georges Cross; diversion; avoid. **M90:** Various lane closures on northbound carriageway between Kinross and Hilton, Tayside. **A74:** Southbound carriageway closed 11am to 12 noon for a short distance S of Beattock Summit; contraflow.

Information supplied by the AA.

Firework alert

The public have been asked to be on the look out for Red Tail Mini-Rocket fireworks which are liable to misfire and cause serious injury. On no account should they be let off. Anyone who has a Red Tail Mini-Rocket should return them immediately to the retailer. Attempts are being made to recall the Chinese made rockets which are sold in packets of 12 for about £1. About 100,000 rockets are unaccounted for. They were distributed in Scotland in Aberdeen and Wick, Leicester and in North London through Feistel Fireworks Ltd.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.12	2.02
Austria Sch	27.55	26.15
Belgium Fr	79.70	75.90
Canada $	2.04	1.95
Denmark Kr	14.20	13.50
Finland Mkk	8.41	8.01
France Fr	11.88	11.34
Germany DM	3.90	3.72
Greece Dr	262.00	232.00
Hong Kong $	11.48	10.98
Ireland Pt	1.275	1.215
Italy Lira	2640.00	2510.00
Japan Yen	319.00	302.00
Netherlands Gld	4.41	4.20
Norway Kr	11.73	11.18
Portugal Esc	243.00	232.00
South Africa Rd	3.90	3.45
Spain Pta	238.00	227.00
Sweden Kr	11.73	11.18
Switzerland Fr	3.21	3.05
USA $	1.51	1.44
Yugoslavia Dnr	570.00	490.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 376.5.

London: The *FT* Index closed up 5.5 at 1066.8.

Anniversaries

Births: **John Evelyn**, diarist, Wotton, Surrey, 1620; **Jan Vermeer**, painter, Delft, 1632; **John Keats**, London, 1795; **Aleksandr Borodin**, (new style Nov 12), St Petersburg (Leningrad) 1833

Deaths: **Alfred Mynn**, cricketer, London, 1861; **William Parsons, 3rd Earl of Rosse**, astronomer, Monkstown, Co Cork, 1867; **Marie Bashkirtseff**, painter, Paris, 1884; **Harry Houdini**, escapologist, Detroit, 1926; **Max Reinhardt**, theatrical director, New York, 1943; **Augustus John**, Fordingbridge, Hampshire, 1961.

Tonight is All Hallows Eve, when witches, devils and other mischief-makers are said to be abroad. Among the many customs associated with this night is that of choosing a husband/wife by various devices and rites. On this day Martin Luther posted up his 95 theses against the abuse of indulgence on the door of the Castle church at Wittenberg, 1517.

The papers

"The Labour rulers of Liverpool have been given one last chance to put the chaotic financial affairs of their once great city into some semblance of order," says the Daily Star, commenting on a package of proposals drawn up by four leading local authority experts to avoid the city's financial collapse. It adds: "Even if it involves swallowing a bucketful of pride, they should grab the opportunity." The paper says: "Of course the current idea of a 15 per cent rate increase would be highly unwelcome. But surely better than throwing 31,000 council workers onto the dole queue. The principal requirement of any medicine is to cure the ailment – not to taste nice."

Portfolio

Portfolio – how to play

Monday–Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.

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You must have your card with you when you telephone.

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times.

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The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.

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● The wording of Rules 2 and 3 has been expanded from earlier versions for clarification purposes. The Game itself is not affected and will continue to be played in exactly the same way as before.

Weather forecast

An anticyclone is in mid-Atlantic with a N to NE flow over the United Kingdom.

6am to midnight

London, SE, central S,E,SW, central N England, East Anglia, Midlands, Channel Islands, S Wales: Rather cloudy with occasional rain or drizzle, some sunny or clear intervals developing; wind N to NE light or moderate; max temp 12C (54F).

N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Sunny periods and isolated showers; wind N to NE fresh; max temp 12C (54F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland: Sunny intervals, scattered showers, some heavy; wind N or NE fresh or strong, moderating later; max temp 10C (50F)

Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals, scattered heavy showers; wind N, strong; max temp 10C (50F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: Cloudy weather with occasional rain, reaching N districts tomorrow, will spread S during Saturday; rather cold with night frosts.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea: Wind light variable becoming moderate or fresh N; rain later; visibility poor becoming moderate or good; sea smooth becoming moderate. **Strait of Dover, English Channel (E):** Wind light variable; rain later; visibility moderate or poor; sea smooth. **St George's Channel, Irish Sea:** Wind N light becoming moderate; showers; visibility moderate or good; sea smooth becoming slight.

Sun rises: 6.52 am
Sun sets: 4.36 pm
Moon sets: 9.55 am
Moon rises: 5.34 pm
Last quarter November 5

Lighting-up time

London 5.06 pm to 6.24 am
Bristol 5.15 pm to 6.34 am
Edinburgh 5.05 pm to 6.49 am
Manchester 5.08 pm to 6.38 am
Penzance 5.31 pm to 6.42 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	f	9	48	Guernsey	f	7	45
Birmingham	c	8	46	Inverness	c	11	52
Blackpool	c	10	50	Jersey	c	4	39
Bristol	c	9	48	London	f	10	50
Cardiff	c	9	48	Manchester	f	11	52
Edinburgh	s	11	52	Newcastle	c	8	46
Glasgow	s	12	54	Ronaldsway	c	11	52

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 11C (52F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 7C (45F). Humidity: 6 pm, 64 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, a trace. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, nil hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1014.7 millibars, falling.

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Aberdeen 13C (55F); lowest day max: Jersey 6C (43F); highest rainfall: Falmouth 0.34in; highest sunshine: Edinburgh 7.7hr.

Yesterday: Jersey: Maximum temperatures 5.8 degrees celsius: The lowest recorded in October since records began (last lowest 6.8 in 1895). Night minimum 1.9 at Jersey airport: lowest recorded in October since records began.

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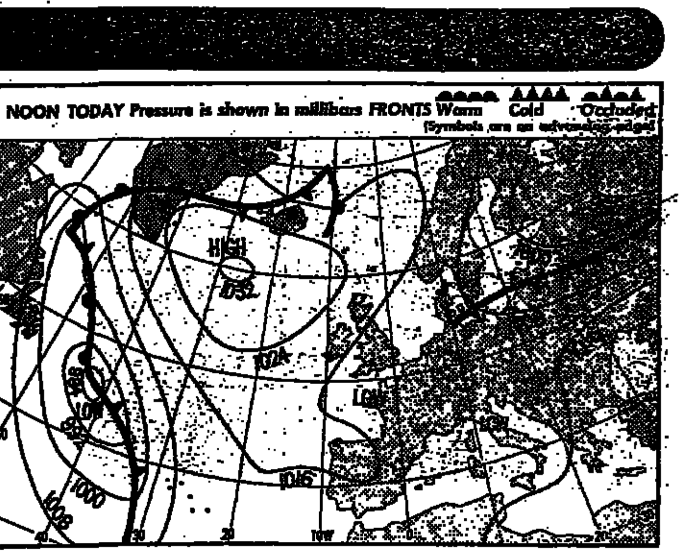

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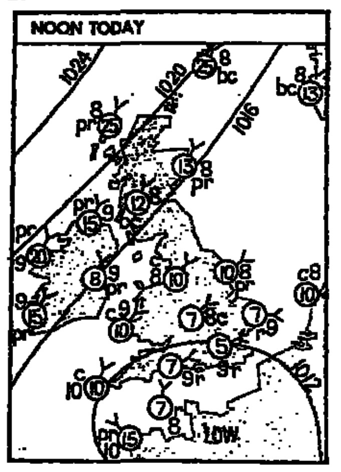

b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; h–hail; m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm; p–showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. temperatures centigrade.

High tides

TODAY

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	3.01	6.9	3.10	6.8
Aberdeen	2.13	4.0	2.37	4.0
Avonmouth	8.25	12.8	8.42	12.8
Belfast			12.21	3.2
Cardiff	8.10	11.8	8.27	11.6
Devonport	6.50	5.4	7.03	5.3
Dover	12.05	6.4	12.11	6.4
Falmouth	6.20	5.2	6.33	5.1
Glasgow	1.59	4.9	2.07	4.9
Harwich	12.53	3.8	1.04	3.9
Holyhead	11.28	5.3	11.42	5.2
Hull	7.26	7.2	7.40	7.0
Ilfracombe	7.00	8.8	7.19	8.6
Leith	3.34	5.3	4.00	5.1
Liverpool	12.08	9.0	12.21	8.9
Lowestoft	10.31	2.4	10.57	2.4
Margate	12.58	4.6	1.09	4.6
Milford Haven	7.19	6.7	7.37	6.5
Newquay	6.09	6.7	6.27	6.6
Oban	6.37	3.9	6.59	3.9
Penzance	5.48	5.5	6.02	5.4
Portland	7.55	2.2	8.19	2.0
Portsmouth	12.29	4.5	12.42	4.5
Shoreham	12.04	5.8	12.15	5.9
Southampton			noon	4.4
Swansea	7.24	9.2	7.44	9.0
Tees	4.41	5.2	4.59	5.2
Walton-on-Naze	12.42	4.0	12.53	4.0

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	6.8	–	11	52	sunny
Bridlington	3.1	–	12	54	
Cromer	0.4	–	10	50	dull
Lowestoft	1.8	–	10	50	bright
Clacton	–		10	50	cloudy
Margate					
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	–	–	8	46	cloudy
Hastings	–	–	9	48	cloudy
Eastbourne	–	–	10	50	dull
Brighton	0.7	–	9	48	cloudy
Worthing	–	–	10	50	cloudy
Littlehmptn	0.9	–	11	52	cloudy
Bognor R	0.8	–	10	50	dull
Southsea	–	–	10	50	cloudy
Sandown	–	–	10	50	dull
Shanklin	–	–	9	48	dull
Bournemth	–	–	10	50	dull
Poole	–	–	10	50	cloudy
Swanage	0.3	–	10	50	cloudy
Weymouth	–	–	9	48	dull
Exmouth	0.1	–	10	50	dull
Teignmouth	–	–	10	50	cloudy
Torquay	–	–	10	50	dull
Falmouth	–	.34	8	46	rain
Penzance	–	.31	9	48	rain
Jersey	–	–	6	43	dull
Guernsey	2.4	–	8	46	dull
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	2.4	–	12	54	bright am
Newquay	–	–	10	50	cloudy
Ilfracombe	–	–	11	52	dull pm
Tenby	1.9	–	12	54	cloudy
Colwyn Bay	6.3	–	11	52	sunny
Southport					
Morecambe	–	–	11	52	dull
Douglas	0.6	–	11	52	cloudy pm
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London (Ctrl)	–	–	11	52	cloudy
B'ham (Airpt)	0.8	–	10	50	cloudy
Bristol (Ctrl)	–	–	10	50	cloudy
Cardiff (Ctrl)	–	–	9	48	cloudy
Anglesey	0.1	–	12	54	cloudy
B'pool (Airpt)	0.2	–	12	54	rain pm
Manchester	0.7	–	12	54	cloudy
Nottingham	0.3	–	10	50	bright
N'ctl-u-Tyne	0.3	–	10	50	bright
Carlisle	1.8	–	11	52	sunny pm
SCOTLAND					
Eskdalemuir	5.5	–	11	52	sunny
Prestwick	5.9	–	12	54	sunny
Glasgow	–	–	12	54	cloudy pm
Tiree	–	.01	12	54	rain
Stornoway	2.2	.08	10	50	rain am
Lerwick	3.3	.09	9	48	showers
Wick	1.8	.05	11	52	showers
Kinloss	0.5	.06	11	52	rain pm
Aberdeen	5.5	.02	13	55	rain pm
St Andrews					
Edinburgh	7.7	–	13	55	sunny
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	2.2	–	11	52	rain pm

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; th, thunder.

		C	F
Ajaccio	f	21	70
Akrotiri	s	23	73
Alexandria	c	24	75
Algiers	f	21	70
Amsterdam	c	5	41
Athens	f	21	70
Bahrain	s	28	82
Barbados			
Barcelona	s	18	64
Beirut			
Belgrade	c	10	50
Berlin	c	6	43
Bermuda*	f	22	72
Biarritz	f	13	55
Boulogne	c	5	41
Bordeaux	c	7	45
Brussels	c	3	37
Budapest	c	2	36
Buen Aires*	c	19	66
Cairo	f	25	77
Cape Tn	f	20	68
C'blanca	s	20	68
Chicago*	s	13	55
Ch'church			
Cologne	c	3	37
Copenhgn	c	8	46
Corfu	f	20	68
Dublin	c	11	52
Dubrovnik	r	17	63
Faro	f	22	72
Florence	c	14	57
Frankfurt	c	1	34
Funchal	s	22	72
Geneva	s	7	45
Gibraltar	f	21	70
Helsinki	f	11	52
Hong Kong	f	27	81
Innsbruck	s	12	54
Istanbul	s	15	59
Jiddah	s	32	90
Jo'burg*	f	25	77
Karachi	c	30	86
Las Palmas	s	24	75
Lisbon	s	19	66
Locarno	r	9	48
L Angeles*	c	18	64
Luxembg	c	1	34
Madrid	s	16	61
Majorca*	f	19	66
Malaga*	s	23	73
Malta	f	23	73
Melbourne	c	16	61
Mexico C*	s	19	66
Miami			
Milan	r	11	52
Montreal*	s	4	39
Moscow	sn	-3	27
Munich	c	0	32
Nairobi	c	24	75
Naples	f	23	73
New Delhi	s	29	84
New York*	s	11	52
Nice	c	20	68
Oslo	f	10	50
Paris	c	2	36
Peking	c	11	52
Perth	s	25	77
Prague	c	2	36
Reykjavik	s	4	39
Rhodes	s	22	72
Riyadh	s	29	84
Rio de Jan	c	24	75
Rome	th	16	61
Salzburg	c	2	36
Sao Paulo			
S Francisco*	s	13	55
Santiago*	f	20	68
Seoul	s	19	66
Singapore	th	29	84
Stockholm	s	10	50
Strasbourg	c	4	39
Sydney	s	24	75
Tangier	s	23	73
Tel Aviv*	s	24	75
Tenerife	c	25	77
Tokyo	r	18	64
Toronto*	f	6	43
Tunis	s	26	79
Valencia*	s	20	68
Vancouver*	f	6	43
Venice	c	11	52
Vienna	s	5	41
Warsaw	c	3	37
Washington*	f	11	52
Wellington*			
Zurich	c	4	39

* denotes Tuesday's figures are latest available

THE TIMES

GENERAL APPOINTMENTS

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Big changes are occurring in land of the headhunter. W. A. Davis takes the would-be prey on a guided tour

Almost every manager would like to be head-hunted, especially, it seems, those who have yet to experience its mysteries. Images abound in executive minds of Savile Row-suited men making confiden*tial telephone* calls to offer fabulous opportunity and wealth to the lucky few. Not unnaturally, therefore, the more ambitious seek to take initiatives in the process in hope of improving the probability of being hunted. What can such people do? How do they do it?

First they must analyse the constituent parts of the executive search business to understand the differences in client, headhunter and preferred candidate profiles which make up the whole. Second, they must appreciate the changing nature of the various relationships involved.

There are, as in any service industry, horses for courses, but more especially there are headhunters who simply do not welcome approaches from candidates. Such consultants genuinely believe that *someone actively seeking* to change his job by soliciting intermediaries cannot be of the right calibre for their clients.

The British executive search business has been through many quite distinct phases since its introduction into this *country in the* mid-Sixties. It is amusing to me that some of its early and prominent practictioners were journalists, well-connected certainly, but perhaps with little claim to a professional ability to evaluate others.

The business has constantly sought, and in some ways is still struggling with, a definition of professional status. It currently is an amorphous, heterogenous collection of people, overmanned as a consequence of the boom in the 1970s, and just beginning to be subject to critical scrutiny by a market at long last waking up to its realities.

Headhunters' clients form at least three discrete groupings: first, establishment firms and organisations, especially those whose revenue is virtually secure, more than sufficient and to a greater or lesser degree underpinned by statutory legislation or *public-sector* patronage: second, those companies whose markets are large and who have the facility to charge premium prices for their products or services; finally, those organisations who either by design, *because of sharp* competitors, technological change or indeed government decision have faced up to the realities of the competitive life, i.e. the true market-economy section of British econ*omic life*.

Executive search firms serving the first of these groupings initially were *American imports*, the *then* established consultancies of the day shunning the practice of headhunting on the grounds that it was unethical to poach staff from competitor companies.

In the mid-1970s the membership of the Management Consultants Association experienced a U-turn of Heath-like proportions and got in on the act. The firms serving increasingly the latter two groups have *tended to come from breakaways* or industry specialists in either marketing or personnel who saw a business opportunity.

The final part of a generalized analysis of the headhunting business is categorization of the specific sorts of jobs within each client grouping that are likely to be the subject of a search brief coupled with the sorts of person the latter would be likely to set out to find.

In many respects, much to the chagrin of candidates, a vicious Catch-22 situation obtains, i.e. a prerequisite to selection is the experience you can only gain by getting the job.

Two issues are worth consideration. First, the client grouping in which advancement is sought, and second, *the dominant selection* criteria for that grouping.

Although organizations in every group claim dedication to performance and profit, much of what is said is mere lip-service. Only the market-economy grouping is truly dedicated to these aims.

All organizations look also at a person's stature, but those in the first group seem to put more emphasis on someone having held the "right level" of responsibility rather than what was actually achieved in the job. As an example, witness the current change of administrators to general managers in the National Health Service. The more sceptical among us may think that this is no more than a change of *label*.

If we now turn to considering the relationships between the elements in the search business and the changes taking place in those relations we find fascinating new *facts*.

First, clients, even in the economically protected sectors, are beginning to question the ability of all search firms, even the "establishment" ones. A recent survey *identified the following criticisms:* "The handling of contacts between the headhunter and potential candidates was so bungled it had repercussions for us" – a major UK bank.

And: "They (the headhunters) found the right man in our opinion, but their write-up on him was factually wrong and differed substantially in essence from our evaluation" – a major UK engineering company.

Second, separate studies have shown that clients believe increasingly in the notion that there are good and bad consultants even within established firms. The activity always was in essence done best as an individual relationship between a consultant and his client.

The development of separate functions within search firms grew not from profession but from the desire of senior consultants to delegate the dogsbody part of the process. *Clients* now recognize that such task specialization is a fundamental error. So-called research departments still do exist, however, and remain part of the analysis.

The most de-stabilizing aspect of *the relationship between client and* consultants, nevertheless, is that increasingly companies are inviting three, four or even five individual firms to make presentations for given search assignments. As this *practice becomes more common the* relative interests of this or that headhunter in any particular executive will alter, perhaps dramatically.

In the nature of markets a particular firm will become flavour of the month. One aspect of this change is value for money. Head-hunters generally charge 30 per cent of annual salary as a fee, but most are *willing to negotiate* immediately on any signs of resistance.

These charges bring with them the difficult issue of professionalism. Virtually all headhunters' literature claims the same competence, diligence and care in doing the work and evaluating candidates. None says precisely how they do it. It would be easy for the unwary to be swayed by plausible but very wrong career guidance.

It is useful to remember that the relationship between a headhunter and the person placed into a good job is not necessarily all sweetness and light.

A fellow headhunter at a party came face to face with a banker he had helped into a good job.

"How are things going?" asked my chum in his breezy style.

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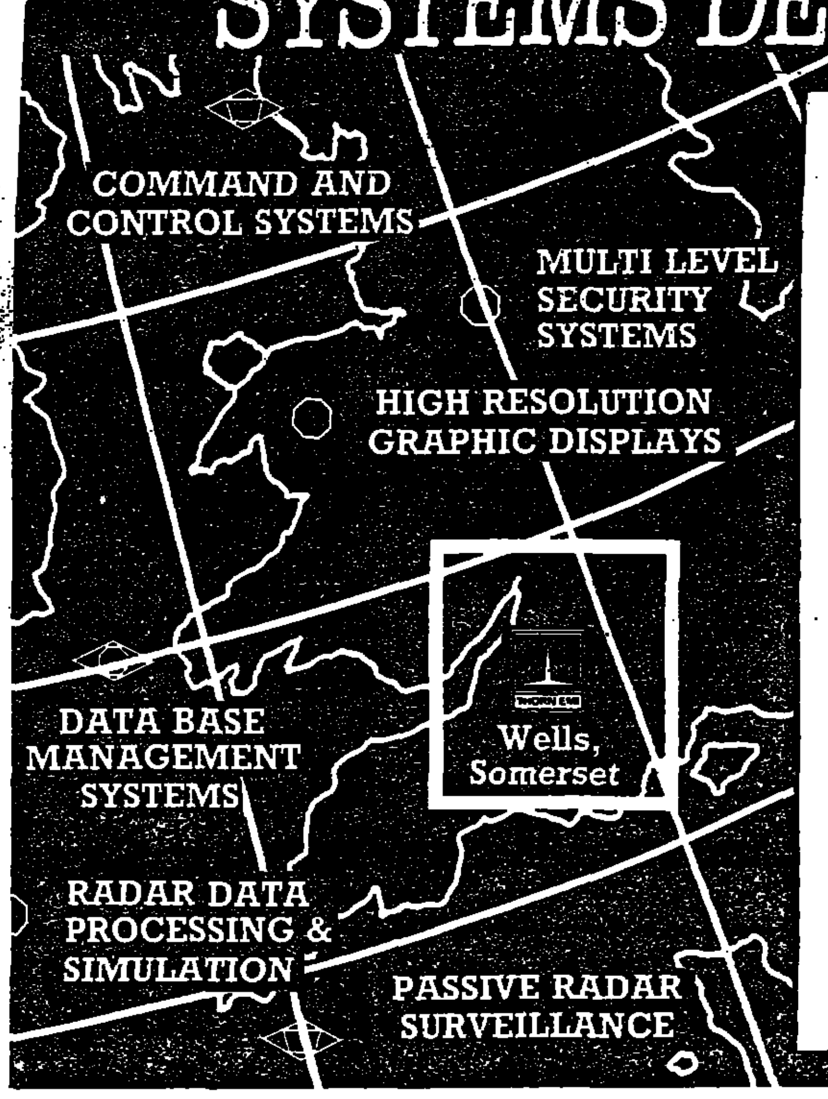
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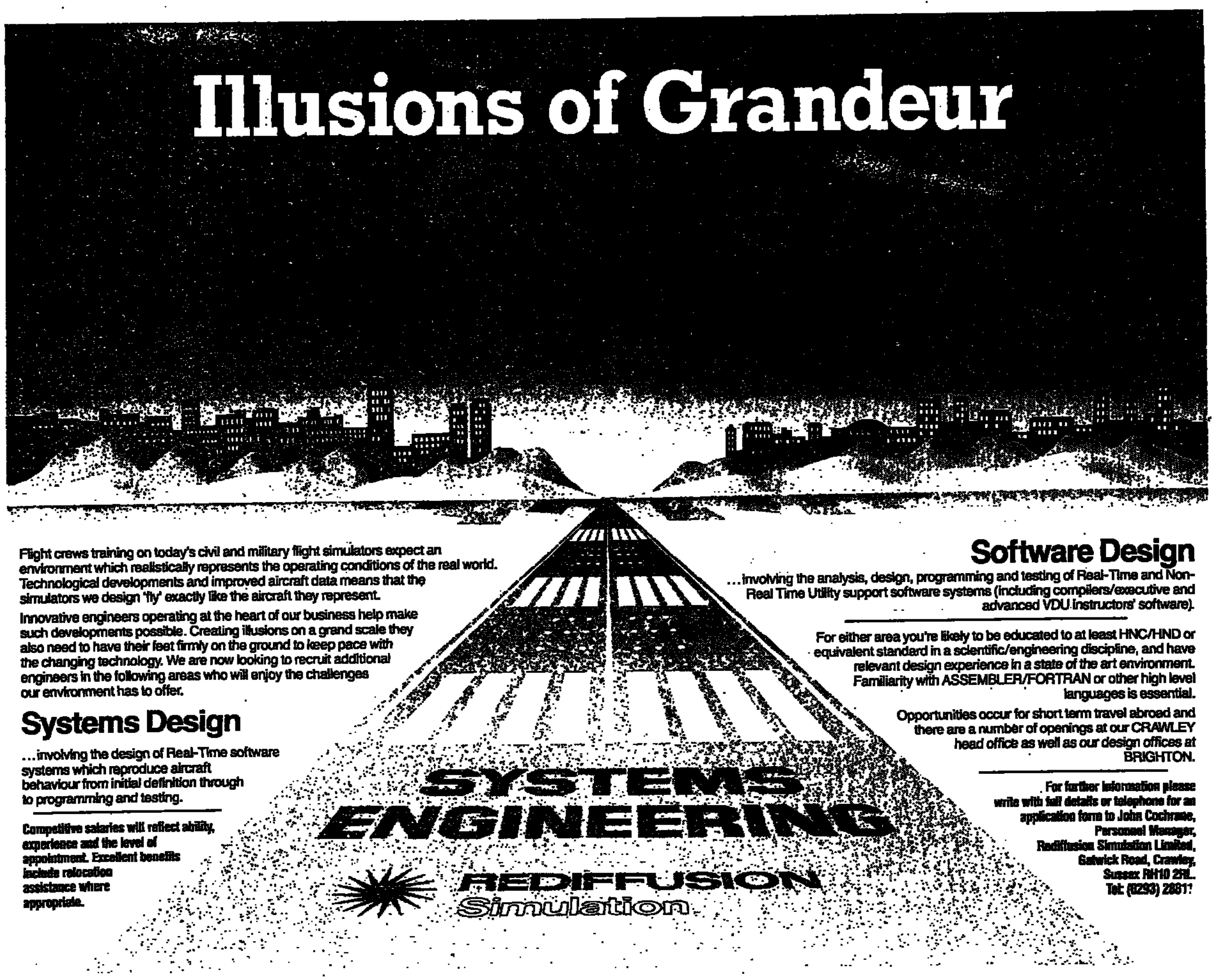

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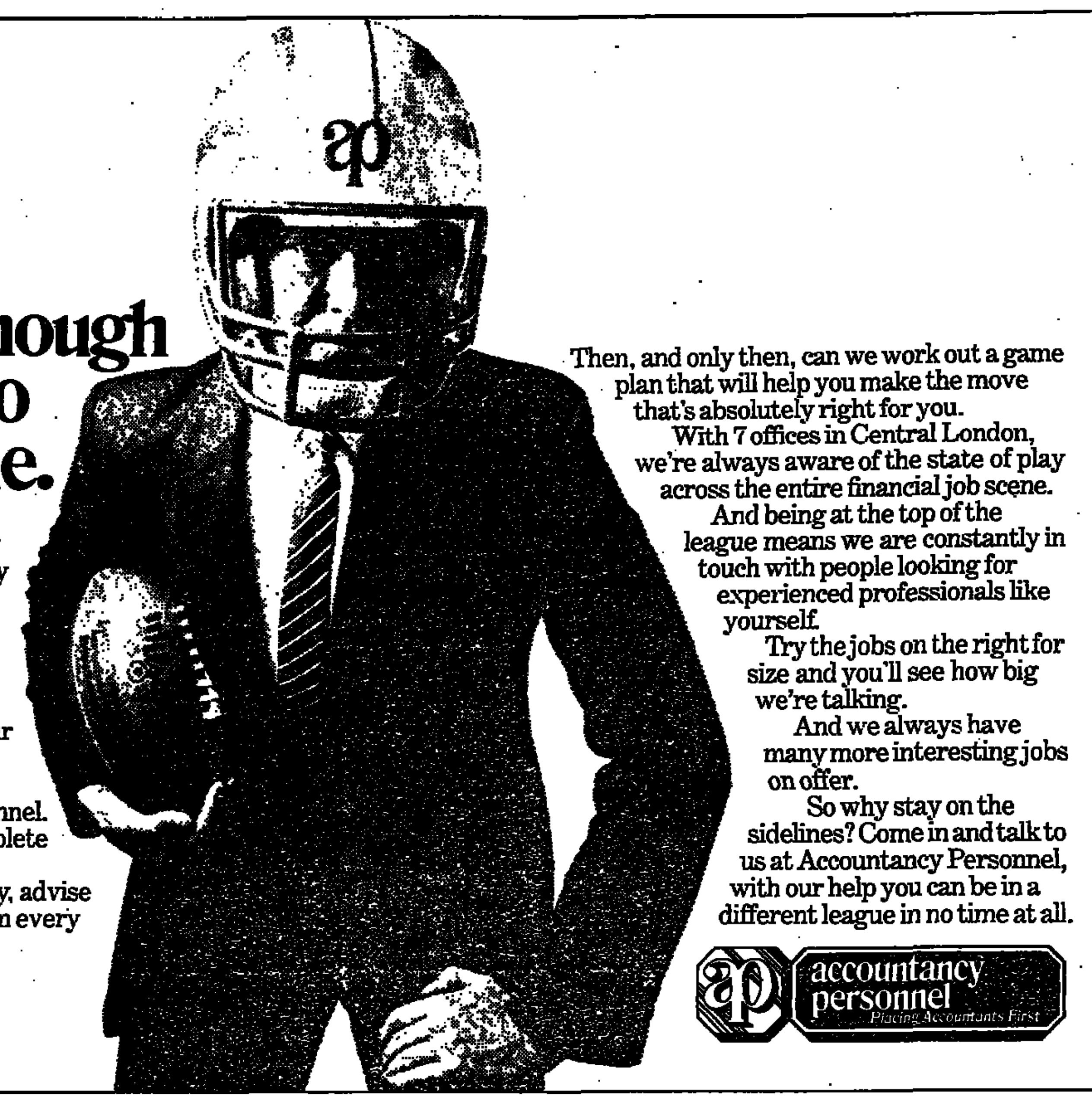

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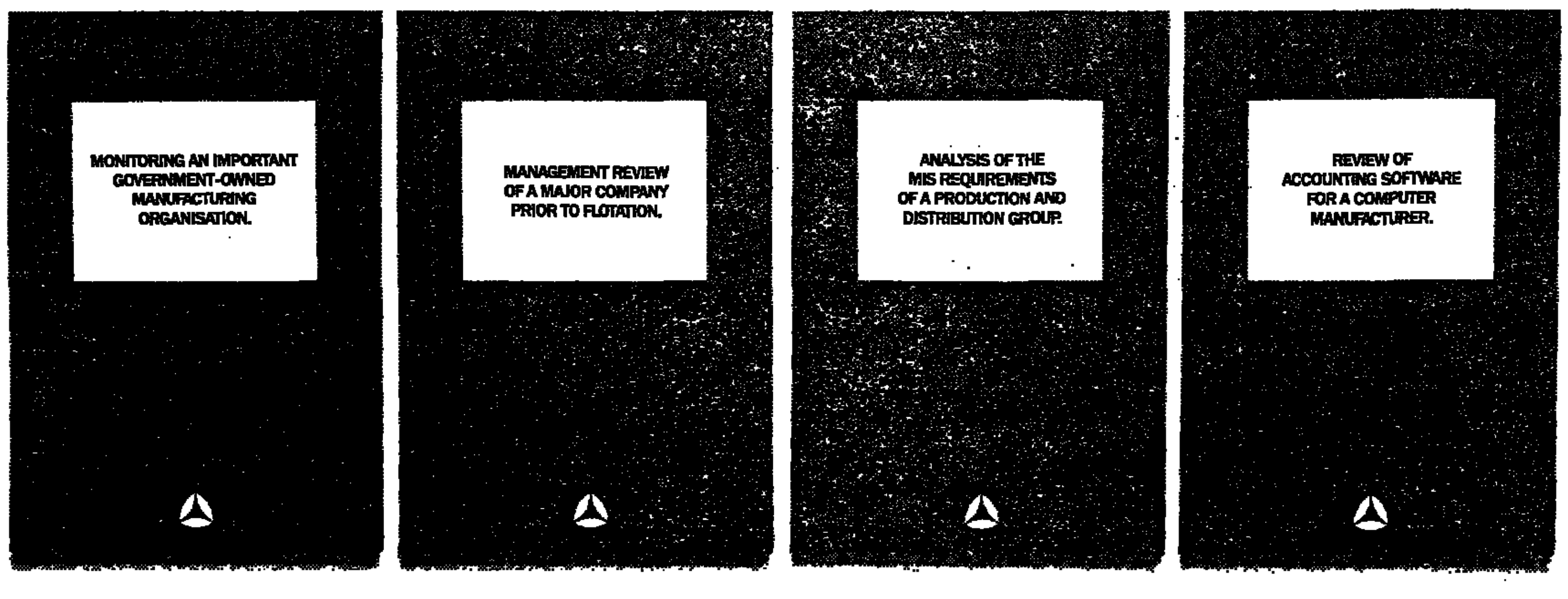
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HORIZONS

A guide to career development

Don't bluff your way abroad

Clare Raffael warns potential expatriates about the dangers in working overseas

Do you have a good interview technique? Can you sell yourself effectively? Will you be able to convince the company into taking you on? All are typical questions which prospective job candidates might ask themselves and all imply a certain amount of deception and delusion. In a perfect world nobody should seek a position for which he or she is patently unsuited but human nature and the recession has seen to it that this is a relatively frequent occurrence. When it comes to an overseas posting, however, it really is against your interests to mislead in any way.

As the large multinational companies cut back as much as possible on their expatriate intake, they are becoming increasingly sophisticated in their selection techniques. This really is in the best interests of all because an unsuccessful posting might *mean an "early return" and distress* for the uneffective employee and misery for his family.

The potential overseas job hunter should try to be as co-operative as possible and should be aware of the *various steps that form a normal part* of the selection procedure. One of the first stages will be to complete a job application form.

Research has been carried out by PA Management on the suitability of *candidates for specific* jobs on the basis of biographical details (commonly known as bio-data). How the results of this research can be applied to foreign postings is not yet very clear, but those who have been brought up overseas tend to adapt better in later life.

Some companies use personality inventories

Some companies use personality inventories to help them form a clear picture of candidates. This is dangerous since, with one exception, none of these has profiles which have been statistically related to expatriates. The most that can be done is to identify certain characteristics dictated by general experience which might be helpful to a prospective expatriate.

One company, Moran, Stahl and Boyer, has formulated an inventory that is specifically geared to assess the potential for success in an overseas posting. The original research was carried out on behalf of the Peace Corps, but 15 years later the system is being used successfully by large corporations.

The inventory includes a number of fairly obvious leading questions. Moran, Stahl and Boyer does give thorough training to weed out 'fakers' but in spite of this it maintains that this is not a major problem. Most people, it says, are anxious to recognize possible areas of difficulty for themselves and find it difficult to lic about their attitudes. The inventory can be used later as an effective *base for training or for what the* consultants call "self-development."

At a subsequent interview – based on the results of an inventory if one has been administered – the more responsible companies will try to ensure that at least one of the interviewers has spent time in the location concerned, this information about both the job and general background will be given.

If a company is using an executive search consultant to recruit from an international base it may well video the interview and send this to the employing subsidiary.

Be on your guard when the company invites you and your wife for an informal chat, even if it is only to meet another couple who have recently returned. A commonly quoted statistic is that nine out of 10 failed expatriate postings result from *the wife's unhappiness.*

Most US companies are not so prissy about this – they explain openly that the wife and family are of vital importance to the success of the exercise and consider they should be closely involved *in the decision-making* process. Most spouses agree with this argument.

Moran, Stahl and Boyer strongly advises its clients to administer their inventory to the spouse and older children.

A medical examination may be the next stage. It may seem obvious but it is amazing how easy it is to overlook a small matter such as high blood *pressure* in the excitement of considering a posting to Mexico or Peru.

I know of one young man who bitterly rues the day when he and his carrot shock of hair (how his employers can have overlooked it remains a mystery) were sent to Equatorial Guinea. He returned with third degree skin burns.

Of more concern is the escalation in the incidence of alcoholism among expatriates, who are estimated to be more prone to dipsomania than those comfortably ensconced in their home countries.

Some tests have been developed to identify the initial stages of alcohol*ism but they are not entirely reliable.* Some company medical advisers (and indeed some personnel executives) maintain that they can identify *potential alcoholics. There should be* no requirement for them to do so because this is one situation where it is more important than ever for the candidate – or more significantly his wife – to be honest.

An ability to cope with stress is very important. Dr Richard Caplan is one psychiatrist who has made an extensive study of ways of coping with stress. He maintains that an overseas assignment is a stressful situation, like any other more common crisis – losing one's job, becoming a mother and so on.

His contention is that if an individual has developed good *methods of coping in an actual* situation, the likelihood will be that the candidate will cope successfully in future stress situations.

Those who have led uneventful lives without stress – there are such individuals – should consider an overseas posting very carefully because initial research shows that they will be the most vulnerable.

When these stages are successfully completed, a good company will ensure that the expatriate and his family are given a thorough briefing and training, which may be done in-company or by outside organizations or consultants or a mixture of both.

It will cover hard facts (preferably backed up with written information which may be taken away for reference) and what is unenticingly known as cross-cultural training. In plain English, this entails mentally preparing the individual and his family for a different environment.

Expatriate selection is a two-way process

Some companies even provide a look-see trip to the location, though if you are left kicking your heels in a smart hotel the whole exercise will be wasted. The important point here is that until the final confirmation of the *posting the* option of not going should never be withdrawn.

The onus may be on the overseas candidate to behave responsibly and honestly with regard to his employer, but this attitude must be reciprocal.

Recently, *sitting in on a session* for expatriates going to West Germany, I spotted one delegate looking particularly unenthusiastic. "If you really don't *want* to go, you shouldn't go", I said. "If I don't take up this post my *employers say I must look elsewhere* for a job" was his bitter justification.

Any employer (and this was a very large company) capable of investing thousands of pounds in sending an employee on an assignment which he *can only be persuaded to take up* through blackmail is committing a serious error. Expatriate selection is definitely a two-way process.

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